

U.S. and Russia Agree **To Slash Nuclear Arms** START-2 Pact, as Bush Era Closes,

Is Expected to Be Signed Within Days

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune The disarmament accord announced by the United States and Russia on Tuesday in Geneva offers a prospect of nuclear stability that seemed to be an arms-controller's impos

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At its core is a pledge to slash ground-based multiple-warhead missiles, like the U.S. MX and the Soviet SS-18, that were idered the destabilizing weapons that COL

drove the arms race. Because they were ground-based and high-

A Summit Shortly

Reuters MOSCOW — Presidents Boris N. Yelt-sin and George Bush are most likely to sign the START-2 nuclear arms accord on Saturday or Sunday, the Russian defense minister, General Pavel S. Grachev, said Tuesday.

"The treaty will evidently be signed on the 2d or 3d," General Grachev said here after returning from negotiations in Gene-va, Earlier, General Grachev said that the most likely summit venue was the Russian Black Sea resort of Sochi, although other officials cast doubt on that site.

A meeting to sign a pact would provide a triamphant conclusion to Mr. Bush's presidency before he hands over the White House to Bill Clinton on Jan. 20.

By David E. Sanger

New York Times Service TOKYO -- The Japanese are losing confidence that their

nation will be the dominant economic power in the oext

century, while Americans see their own ecooomy as gaining

strength and view Japan as less of a long-term economic

threat than before. In a poll conducted in both countries this month by The New York Times, CBS News and the Tokyo Broadcasting System, 45 percent of Americans said the United States

would be "the No. 1 economic power in the world" to the

21st century, while 30 percent said Japan would be.

ly accurate, these heavy missiles embodied the threat of one side's thinking that it had enough firepower to deliver a first strike that would knock out the adversary.

The new treaty, known as START-2 because it is the second accord offering missile reductions and not just new ceilings, emerged

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from several weeks of intensive talks as both sides sought to tie up an agreement before the Bush administration leaves office on Jan. 20. The Jan. 20 deadline is important to both sides. A treaty signed by President George Bush could win ratification in the new Senate with bipartisan support as conservatives would hesitate to snipe at a treaty signed by a Republican president. If a Democratic administration were in place, a treaty could take months.

Even a few months may be more time than President Boris N. Yeltsin has to legitimize deep nuclear cuts. His mounting opposition includes Russians who view these arms as a symbol of their country's power and prestige and who are impatient with what they see as

Despite the suspense about whether a trea-ty would be signed in time, the START-2 agreement has an air of political anticlimax. For one thing, the essential deal - swapping Russia's ground-based strategic missiles for a sharp cut in U.S. superiority in ballistic-missile submarines — was cut six months ago by Mr. Bush and Mr. Yeltsin. The negotia-



Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev of Russia, left, greeting Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger after the accord Tuesday.

tions in Geneva largely amounted to formnlating treaty language for that accord.

More important, in comparison to the pacts that punctuated the ups and downs in superpower relations since the 1960s, START-2 can be viewed as almost unnecessary because Russia is losing its ability to maintain the old Soviet arsenal.

That is a striking reversal from only a year ago, when 30 try's tremendous expansion in the late 1980s, before it percent of Americans said the United States would be the began to burst two years ago. "More of a sense of reality is

setting in.'

Japanese Lose Confidence as Americans Gain It, Poll Finds

If Washingtoo and Moscow are eager to sign the treaty now, it is because it has assumed a new importance in the intervening months as risks have increased of the spread of nuclear weapons.

Both sides oow see START-2 --- and its the commitment to slashing their nuclear arse-nals — as a pulitical asset in pressing other

countries oot to acquire ouclear weapons. The most immediate impact will be on Russia's three quasi-nuclear neighbors. Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan. The three inherited strategie missiles in the breakup of the Soviet Union, and the new treaty will step up pressure, especially on Ukraine, to stop See ARMS, Page 4

Hard-Liners In Belgrade Parliament **Oust Panic**

Serbian Nationalists **End Tenure of Moderate** Who Called for Peace

By Chuck Sudetic

New York Times Service BELGRADE — Communists and extreme nationalists comhined forces in Federal Assembly on Tuesday to unseat Yugoslavia's moderate prime minister, Milan Panic, hy overwhelmingly adopting a no-confidence motion and voting in a new caretaker prime minister.

The vote ends, for the time being at least, Mr. Panic's political career in the new rump Yugoslavia, which began in July when the Serbian-American millionaire was called from Califor-nia to Belgrade to lead the country's first government. It collapsed on Dec. 20, when Yugoslavia's most powerful political leader, President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, routed him in fraud-ridden elections.

Mr. Milosevic originally supported Mr. Pan-ic, clearly hoping he would convince the United Nations Security Couocil to lift economic sanc-tions imposed on Yugoslavia in May for sup-porting the Serbian dismembering of Bosnia-Herzegovina. During his six-month tenure,

In fearful Kosovo, ethnic Albanians train for their longed-for independence. Page 2. Page 2.

however, Mr. Panic, 63, consistently attacked Mr. Milosevic and other militant Serhian nationalists, calling for peace and compromise solutions to the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina and the greater Yugoslav crisis.

After the vote, Mr. Panic told Western reporters that be would stay in Yugoslavia to organize intellectuals and students opposed to Mr. Milosevic and the other oationalist leaders, who have brough the country international isolation, economic chaos and threats of military intervention.

"I still have responsibility toward the coun-try," Mr. Panic said, "We are headed towards disaster if we do not correct this."

"The couotry desperately needs help to reach political maturity," he said. "I am planning to assist in that."

He lashed out at parliamentary representa-tives from the Socialist Party of Serbia and the extreme-oationalist Serbian Radical Party, which ended his leadership in lopsided votes in

both houses of parliament. The total responsibility for the failure of Panic's government is on that parliament," Mr. Panic said. "This group is trying to put the responsibility oo me." He complained that the Socialists and Rad

world's leading economy and half said Japan would be.

Although 44 percent of Japanese still say their country will dominate the world economy in the next century, their certainty has ebbed from last year's 53 percent. Plumeting corporate profits, growing bankruptcies and the beginnings of job layoffs — all unaccustomed in the country's remarkable postwar growth — have left Japanese "It is a very quick turnaround in perceptions," said Masaru Yoshitomi, a leading Japanese economist and an adviser to the country's Economic Planning Agency. "People's impressions of the power of the Japanese conomy were inflated by the bubble economy," he said, In the poll, 71 percent of Japanese said the state of their economy was "fairly bad" or "very bad." Only 6 percent

saw reason for hope that things were getting better. economy were inflated by the bubble economy," he said, But old perceptions die hard. More than half of the using the term Japanese often invoke to describe the coun- Americans polled rated the state of the Japanese economy

"fairly good" or "very good," evidence that the two coun-tries measure performances by different yardsticks. A total of 34 percent of Americans said future Japanese would be better off than people today, while only 13 percent of Japanese said they shared that view. Two years ago, more

than half of Americans said the future Japanese would be better off. The results appeared just as Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa has come under increasing fire at home for doing too little to spur economic activity. Over the weekend, the

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Beijing Asks North Korea

Convicts Him

Collor Resigns,

But Senate Still

By Don Podesta ington Post Service BRASILIA - Minutes into his Senate trial for corruption, Fernando Collor de Mello re-signed as president of Brazil on Tuesday.

In a brief ceremony in the House of Deputies three hours later, the acting president, Itamar France, assumed the presidency for the remain-ing two years of Mr. Collor's five-year term. After Mr. Collor's resignation. the Senate weat ahead and tried him, found him gnilty of official misconduct and officially removed him from office, The Associated Press reported from Brasilia. It was due to decide later whether to ban him from politics for eight years.]

Mr. Collor's impeachment and resignation marked a new chapter in the political history of Latin America, where heads of state have often enriched themselves with impunity, and where revolutions and military coups have been the common means of removing a president before the end of his term.

Mr. Collor, 43, who had only a bandful of supporters in the 81-member Senate, boped by resigning to avoid being banned from politics until the year 2000. He still faces a criminal trial on corruption charges; by resigning, he lost his presidential immunity.

Shortly after the Senate session opened Tuesday, Mr. Collor's chief defense lawyer, José de Moura Rocha, interrupted the questioning of written note from Mr. Collor in which he resigned his office with no explanation.

Some schators expressed surprise that Mr. Collor, who had insisted be would never resign. would do so at this late hour.

Unlike the celebrations that swept the legislature and the streets in several cines when the House of Deputies voted overwhelmingly in impeach Mr. Collor three months ago, the reaction to the news of his resignation was muted.

When Mr. Franco took the oath of office in the House of Deputies, however, students in the gallery broke into the oational anthem.

Throughout the impeachment process, Mr. Collor desied that be had benefited from millions of dollars in kickbacks collected through an influence-trafficking oetwork run by his

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KENYANS WAIT AT POLLS — Weary would-be voters taking a break Tuesday after lining up to cast their ballots in the first multiparty elections in the country for 26 years. The voting was marred by long delays at many polling stations. Page 4.

For Cash, Ending Barter

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

BELJING - China tightened economic pressure on North Korea on Tuesday by publicly announcing that all trade beginning in 1993 must be paid for in cash rather than in barter. North Korea, which is already suffering from

severe economic crisis, depends on neighboring China for oil and other supplies. It has no hard currency to pay its bills, and unless it can find other energy sources its industry may be devastated

China is North Korea's largest trading part-ner, followed by Japan, the former Soviet Union and Iran.

Accurate information about North Korea is difficult to come by. But ethnic Koreans from China and other countries who are allowed to visit relatives in North Korea say that many factories are closed down because of the fuel shortages and that most vehicles cannot be used because of the gasoline shortage. There also are credible reports of hunger and malnotrition in some rural areas.

China has pressed North Korea for several years to pay in hard currency, and Chinese officials say that Beijing told the North Korean leaders privately last year that they would have to pay for their purchases to eash beginning in January 1992. China releated, however, when it became clear that North Korea had no money to pay even if it wanted to.

The official Xinhua press agency reported that the Chinese trade minister, Li Langing, broke the news Tuesday to a visiting North Korean trade official, Kang Jong Mo.

"Starting the next year, the trade between the two countries will be through cash settlement, which is beneficial to bilateral trade and will give impetus to trade companies," the dispatch said. "Though problems may arise at first, the new trade mode, which is commoo worldwide, will be a good step forward."

Although the dispatch emphasized the friendly ues between the two countries, the public announcement was clearly meant as a See CASH, Page 4

cals shackled his government's hands.

In a speech to the parliament's upper house, the Radicals' leader, Vojislav Seselj, said Mr. Panic was a foreign agent who should be jailed for embezziement and for acting against the interests of the Serbian people.

Mr. Sesch, who commands a party militia that has fought in Croatia and Bosnia-Herzegovina, has been named by the U.S. government and human-rights groups as a suspected war criminal.

In a second vote, the parliament voted to name Radoje Konnic, a vice prime minister in Mr. Panic's government, to head an interim Yugoslav government.

Western diplomats said Mr. Milosevic's Socialists and the Radicals undertook Mr. Panic's removal in an attempt in quash any possibility that the former prime minister might become a rallying point for people opposed to the nation-

"It cuts Panic to the ground and encourages him to move out of Yugoslavia," a diplomat said. "It also puts the icing on the cake of Milosevic's victory and takes a step toward preventing Milan Panic from becoming a rallying point for the Serbian opposition."

The Fear of an Islamic State in Algeria

By Chris Hedges New York Times Service

ALGIERS - Almost a year after it took power in a coup, the military-backed government of Algeria is facing a declining economy, deepening public resentment and mounting armed attacks by Islamic militants, and many Western diplomats in Algiers say they expect it to fall within a year in favor of an Islamic

The Algerian crisis is now the most pressing concern of Western diplomats in the region, especially those from France, which has a large Algerian population and might have to absorb waves of immigrants fleeing an Islamic state. But the diplomats' longer-term concern is for an Algerian fundamentalist government's influ-ence elsewhere io North Africa, including the

West's biggest Arab ally. Egypt. "When Iran became an Islamic state it shook the Arab world, even though Iran is Persian and its rulers are Shiite rather than mainstream Sunni Muslims," a senior Western diplomat

said. "If Algeria is handed over to the funda-mentalists it could have a catalytic effect in the region, much as we saw with the collapse of the Communist regimes in Eastern Europe."

Most Western governments, including the United States, are said to hope that by refusing to lend significant backing to the tottering Algerian junta they can moderate the severity of the Islamic government that may follow. Some diplomats said they hoped for the emergence of a coalition between the army, the traditional arbiter of power, and the militants.

"We must begin to bave a dialogue with the fuodamentalist movements throughout the re-gion, as unpleasant as many of us find the task, because it is they who seem set to inherit power," a European diplomat said.

One of those who may join such a dialogue is Warren M. Christopher, President-elect Bill Clinton's designate for secretary of stale, who worked closely with the Algerian authorities for the release of American hostages taken at the

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Cuban Pilot Takes Airliner to Miami

MIAMI (AP) — A Cuban pilot apparent-ly overcame fellow crew members Tuesday and flew a twin-engine airliner into Miami International Airport, where most of the 53 people aboard requested political asylum, officials said.

The Soviet-made Aero Caribbean turboprop was on a flight from Havana to a tourist resort at Varadero Beach on Cuba's north coast when it turned toward Miami,

Five crew members, 40 adult passengers and eight children were oo board and all but five requested asylum, an airport spokesman. said. It was unclear how many of the passengers knew of the pilot's plans to advance. "At some point during the flight it ap-pears that chloroform was used to pacify the

co-pilot and that he was also restrained, possibly with handcuffs," a U.S. Customs Service spokesman said.

GIs Target of Yemen Bombs?

ADEN, Yemen (Reuters) - Bombs rocked two hotels in the southern Yemen port of Aden on Tuesday, and American servicemen could be among the several casualties, witnesses said.

They said a bomb exploded to the third floor of the Gold Muhor Hotel. Preiminary reports said that at least seven people were killed or wounded in the hotel, which has been used to the past to accommodate American military staff.

The second bomb went off in the parking lot of the Related article, Page 3. Aden Hotel.

British Trout Fanciers Fishing in Troubled Waters

By William E. Schmidt New York Times Service

BARTON-STACEY, England --- On the surface, it is a classic scene from English country life: men to floppy hats and green rubber boots standing silently along the misty shore as they watch their lines drift on the mirror-flat water.

But beneath the pond's calm surface, there is roiling controversy this winter, a fish story that is not just about the big one that got away, but about the big ones that are yet to be caught. Like other English debates, it pits the purists against the new entrepreneurs, but it also revolves, ultimately, around a question of nearly cosmic proportion: Is a trout still a trout if it is reared mostly by hand rather than nature?

The story begins here, at Dever Springs, a private fishery in

the heart of Hampshire, where anglers pay \$70 a day to fish not just for any trout, but for huge browns and rainbows, scientifi-cally fed and bred with an eye to making them tip the scales at stock ponds until they grew to scale busting size and then record weight.

In the last 18 months, the two tiny pools here — together they barely cover six acres — have produced the two largest brown trout ever caught in Britain, the first just over 20 pounds and the next nearly 23 pounds.

and the next nearly 23 pointos. The catches shattered a decade-old national record of just over 19 pounds, belonging to a fisherman who took his trout from a wide Scottish loch. But they also infuriated the old guard of English anglers, people to whom trout fishing is an almost mystical sport, to be practiced reverently on the wild streams and cold oorthern lakes, not to be confused with shooting fish in a barrel or hauling them out of a trout farm.

They argued that it was not right for a fish farmer to design dump them in their tiny private pond, knowing that some pay-to-play fisherman would eventually land a monster and claim a new national record.

"If fishing allows its own morality to be compromised," worried a writer for The Times, Brian Clarke, "it cheapens its image and crodes the call it can make on public opinion."

Responding to growing pressure within its own ranks to address the problem, the Salmon and Trout Association, the governing body for game fishing in England and Wales, this month drafted a carefully worded proposal: Henceforth, it

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Sarajevo, Desperate, Tries to Stay Warm as Days Grow Cold

By Peter Maass Washington Post Service SARAJEVO - Desperate to rubble of a store Monday lonking

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stay alive, the freezing people of Sarajevo have begun to devour what's left of their shattered city.

Trees in parks and along oncestately boulevards are being cut down at a hurricane pace as men, women and children scavenge for firewood. Buildings shelled by Serb forces besieging the city are being stripped of anything that burns - beams, flooring, roofing, wallpaper, foam insulation.

Usually, it is government militiamen with chain saws who fell the decades-old trees and appropriate the higgest chunks. Civilian men with axes cut up the hranches, then grandmothers and children move in, scurrying around to pick up the twigs.

"It's cold, and we have to stay alive, so we cut the trees," said Sarija Misut, 19, as he sawed through one of the last pine trees in Sarajevo's main cemetery. Nodding toward the frozen mounds marking new graves around him, the young man added: "It's better than ending up like the ones

Many people, unable to find a tree to cut down, are reduced to hacking away at tree stumps, and in a recent full in the fighting the boom-boom-boom of mortars has been replaced by the chip-chip-chip of axes attacking wood.

Sidewalks are crowded with people carrying, pushing or drag-ging loads of firewood. Some transport sticks and logs and bro-ken boards in wheelbarrows or baby carriages. Some tote buge beams on their shoulders, like workers at a construction site. But Sarajevo, if anything, is a deconstruction site.

There are those like Himzo Ba- collect cardboard - and to hum hic, 42, who roamed through the everything loose around him. "I have burned most of my furniture." he said. "I hurned the for cardboard to burn in his 12thflour apartment so that his 18- wood parquet from the floor. Fve also burned books." month-old infanı would not There has been no electricity in

Sarajevo for three weeks. That Mr. Bahic, a Slavic Muslim who sought refuge in Sarajevo to es-cape the Serbs, has neither saw and, most important as sub-freeznor axe and the hammer and ing weather sets in, no central screwdriver he does have do not heating. Mild fall weather has work very well. So it's easier to turned oasty. Soow is starting to

dust the city and temperatures are hovering around 10 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 12 centigrade).

Without central heating, most of the 350,000 people in Sarajevo have rigged up makeshift stores, and families eat and sleep together in one room. For the people of Sarajevo, it is still the battle against death they have waged for eight months oow, except that the cold could kill more of them than Serb bullets and bombs.

But had as things are now, some officials of Bosnia's government fear they will get worse. Fuad Babic, in charge of civil defense in Sarajevo, estimates that with winter only begun, oearly half the city's trees are already gone.

"I have tried to physically stop people from cutting the trees, but I lost the will to do it after a woman came to me crying and said she needed the wood to keep her two babies warm." he said.

The weakest give out first. At a nursing bome in Nedarici. a frontline suburh between Saraievo and its airport, eight elderly people have died of the cold in the past few days, staff members say. The remaining 114 patients live in filthy, unheated rooms and, for the bedridden ones, fouled sheets. "The meals they are getting are adequate," said a spokesman for

the UN refugee agency. "It's the cold they are succumbing to.

A Sarajevo woman returning home past a truck damaged by shrapnel after doing her wash in the river because there is no running water.

In Shaky Kosovo, Ethnic Albanians Train for Independence

By Christine Spolar Washington Post Service PRISTINA, Serbia — In two small

rooms of a home here in the capital of Serbia's Kosovo Province, the future of an ethnic Albanian independence movement is being prepared.

In one room, 28 students sit shoulder to shoulder on cloth-covered mats and listen to a lecture on statistics. In another, two dozen teenagers jam together on a chilly day to take notes on Albanian grammar. There are oo desks or chairs, few books and little chalk for the one small blackboard.

"We want to learn. It is our only weap-on to resist our enemy," said Arben Kuqi, 16, an ethnic Albanian and one of a thousand youngsters who walk miles each day for lessons that allow them to

avoid contact with the "enemy" — their Scrbian neighbors and their schools. The intensity of that attitude in largely Albanian Kosovo worries those who fear a spread of ethnic purges in the Balkans. To many, Kosovo seems the obvious next venue for Serbian "ethnic cleansing."

If guns are drawn, neighboring Alba-nia as well as large Albanian communi-ties in two other Balkan republics — Montenegro, now a satellite of Serbia in the new Yugoslav state, and newly inde-pendent Macedonia — are considered likely to come to the aid of the 1.8 million Albanians here. Serbian leaders have said Albanians here. Serbian leaders have said they will do whatever is necessary to defend their land, in Kosovo or wherever

else foreign powers might intervene. The underground school here, and dozens like it set up in homes throughout Kosovo, has been one way the Albanians have shown their antipathy toward the Serb-controlled provincial government installed here three years ago. Thousands, of Albanian children have used such, schools as their only source of education,

Two weeks ago, the Albanians of Ko-sovo displayed their anti-Serbian resis-tance, with considerable political conse-queoces. In Serbian aod Yugoslav way for election of dozens of militant Serbian nationalists to parliament, a move that Western observers said dimin-Ished hopes for ending the war in Bosnia and defusing tensions in Kosovo. "It is teose and confrontational" in

The history of Kosovo, where Albani-ans outnumber Serbs by nine to one, is often detailed painstakingly by Serbs and Albanians alike. Serbs view it as the birthplace of Serbian nationhood, and Albanians see it as theirs by right of possession and the dictates of more re-

cent history. Six hundred years ago, the Serbs fought against the invading Turks and lost decisively at the Battle of Kosovo a battle that welded Serbs together as a people and one that is still discussed here as if it happened vesterday. So too here as if it happened yesterday. So too, is the decision by Marshal Tito two decades ago to grant virtual home rule to Kosovo, which by then was heavily populated with Albanians left out of neighboring Albania when its borders were redrawn earlier this century. Then, three years ago, as the old Yugo-

threat, ordering ethnic Albanian teach-ers, doctors, judges and high government workers to sign loyalty oaths to keep their jobs. By some estimates, as many as 70,000 people were dismissed or left their jobs as a result. Others reportedly were imprisoned without charge.

ment, beatings and killings, and they say these increased in the months leading to the recent elections, But Serbian leaders here and in Bel-

grade deny there is any orchestrated op-pression of the Albanians and say they have caused most of their own problems by not working with the Serb-controlled government

WORLD BRIEFS

New Criteria Add 40,000 AIDS Cases

ATLANTA (Combined Dispatches) — The number of Americans officially diagnosed with AIDS will climh dramatically when a new definition of the disease goes into effect Friday, raising demand for treatment and funding.

The change comes as the U.S. government has notified states that n is In the change comes as the U.S. government has notified states that it is cutting funding for AIDS-prevention programs. Officials said \$129 million was available for grants to states for AIDS prevention next year, compared with \$143.7 million this year and \$159 million in 1991. Under the new definition, about 90,000 people will be diagnosed with full-hlown AIDS in 1993, up from 50,000, according to the Centers for Disease Control. Under the U.S. agency's current definition, people infected with the HIV virus are diagnosed as having AIDS when the

infected with the HIV virus are diagnosed as having AIDS when they develop certain blood infections, the skin cancer Kaposi's sarcoma or any of 21 other indicator diseases. The new definition adds pulmonary tuberculosis, recurrent pneumonia and invasive cervical cancer. (AP. NYT)

Beirut Forces Take Shiite Stronghold

BEIRUT (AP) - For the first time in eight years, the Lebanese Army moved on Tuesday into Beirui's lawless southern sinms, a Shiite Muslim stronghold where Western hostages were kept in chains and suicide bomh attacks killed bundreds of people.

Nearly 2,000 soldiers, backed by 40 tanks and armored personnel carriers, entered the shantytowns before dawn. They met no resistance from militiamen of the pro-Iranian Hezboliah, or Party of God, which has controlled the slums since 1984.

has controlled the sums since 1984. But the military apparently did not want to provoke clashes with Hezbollah extremists, who refuse to disband under a treaty that ended the 1975-90 civil war. There did not appear to be any attempt to launch a dragnet for Shiite leaders who masterminded the kidnapping of scores of Americans, Britons, Frenchmen and other Westerners from 1984 to 1991 and suicide bomb attacks that killed more than 300 Americans and Exceptiones in 1982. Frenchmen in 1983.

3 EC Candidates Accept Maastricht

COPENHAGEN (Reuters) - Sweden, Finland and Norway do not plan to ask for Danish-style exemptions from provisions of the Maas-tricht treaty when they negotiate to join the European Community, their

"I do not anticipate the need for any exemptions," said Prime Minister Carl Bildt of Sweden. "I think we can achieve a Swedish solution within the given framework of the negotiations." Speaking for their countries at a joint news conference here, the Norwegian and Finnish prime ministers, Gro Harlem Brundtland and Esko Aho, agreed

The three leaders held informal talks with Prime Minister Poul Schluter of Denmark, whose country takes over the EC presidency on Jan. I. Denmark will lead the negotiations on membership that are scheduled to open in Brussels on Feb. I. They will initially deal with applications from Sweden, Finland and Austria, with Norway due to join the talks within a few months.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Irag Threat Prompts U.S. Precaution

WASHINGTON (Reuters) --- U.S. diplomatic posts abroad are taking precantions against Iraq's threat to strike back for the downing of an

Iraqi aircraft, the State Department said Tuesday, "We have noted Iraqi public statements about retaliation for the shoot-down and we take all such threats seriously," a department spokeswoman said. "U.S. overseas posts are taking appropriate precautions." She said she could not cite any specific measures being taken.

Baghdad threatened Monday to avenge the downing of an Iraqi aircraft by a U.S. F-16 over the allied-patrolled air exclusion zone in southern Iraq on Sunday.

A plan to build a high-speed rail network in Italy was given a green light hy the government Tuesday after a delay of several days. Italy's budget, treasury and transport ministers approved a resolution that formally clears the way for an Italian-led consortium to construct about 1,300 kilometers (780 miles) of track over the next seven years. The network will crisscross Italy in the form of a "T," linking Naples in the south with the northern cities of Turin and Venice. (Reuters)

Rain and snow storms in Greece cut off as many as 300 mountain villages, blocked roads and interrupted sea and air transport Tuesday. Port authorities said no boats were allowed to sail to Greek islands and airport officials said many local flights were canceled. (Reuters)

Sabena, the Belgian carrier, will introduce new flights to Frankfurt, Copenhagen and Goteborg, Sweden, starting Jan. 3. (AP)

Sleet and freezing rain loed highways in the Eastern United States, causing hundreds of accidents, halting mass transit and blacking out parts of the Carolinas. In the West, blowing snow closed sections of major highways in Washington and northern Arizona. (ĂP) Philippine air controllers have threatened to stage a strike to press demands for better work benefits, but did not set a deadline, the Philippine News Agency reported Tuesday. A strike could cripple domes-tic and international flights, the agency said. (UPI) KLM Royal Dutch Airlines is slashing the price of return flights to its five German destinations for trips made in the first quarter of next year. In place of the current different tariffs on return flights to Berlin, Frankfurt, Munich, Nuremburg and Stuttgart, travelers there will be a single price of 189 guilders (\$104) for all return economy trips made before March 31 as long as the tickets are booked between Jan. 1 and 15. (Bloomberre)

elections, they saw no candidate willing to focus on their plight, so they refused to vote. That aided the reelection of Presi-dent Slobodan Milosevic and cleared the

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PARIS - Despite some continuing shallow incursions by Iraqi warplanes into the "no-fly" zone in sonthern Iraq, Western officials discounted the risk Tuesday that Baghdad was mounting a major challenge to the restrictions on Iraqi airspace.

In the view of these officials, the common front maintained by Iraq's act of defiance Sunday — in which an Iraqi warplane refused to leave the prohibited area and was the international community and particularly the permanent members of the Security Council. shot down — was a probing tactic to test whether the United States might be softening its grip on Iraq.

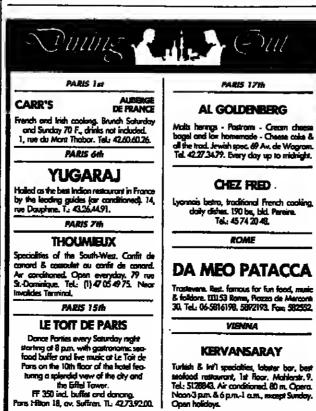
Baghdad's main motive, Arab sources said, was to see whether the arrival in office of President-elect Bill Clinton might alter U.S. responses in foreign crises.

They agreed with the Western assessment that, when Iraq's bid was slapped down - a U.S. war-

Bush Will Stop in Jidda To Talk With King Fahd

The Associated Press MANAMA, Bahrain - President George Bush will stop in Saufeinting that fighter pilots routinely di Arabia on Friday for a meeting practice at hostile borders. with King Fahd, U.S. diplomats said Tuesday, They said Mr. Busb would spend transition could partially paralyze U.S. policy reflexes, at least enough

a few hours in Jidda after a visit on New Year's Eve with U.S. forces in Somalia.



plane downed the intruder, with Although Mr. Clinton has puballied backing, and Washington orliciy endorsed Mr. Bush's authority dered an aircraft carrier to the Gulf over U.S. foreign policy until Jan. 20, Baghdad may have built up a - the incident probably was closed picture of the incoming presider based on his doubts about the Gulf Another potential loophole that Iraqi pressure might have hoped to find --- and did not --- was a soften--

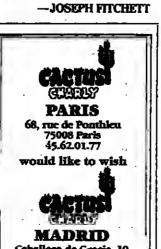
War at the time. In risking an international inciing French attitude that offered podent with patrolling U.S. wartential for Iraq to start breaching planes-last week, an Arab analyst said. "Saddam was testing Clinton, not Bush - and it won't be the last time he tests this untested man who

is becoming president." Western officials offer a broader But Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi but not contradictory reading of leader, is unlikely to have been chastened for long. "It slammed Saddam into his box, but he'll be Baghdad's likely thinking. Any Iraqi misapprehensions about a vacuum of power in Washington back sniffing for a hole in the fence," a U.S. official said. they said, could he compounded by a belief that the United States and A similar analysis of Iraqi moits allies were preoccupied with in-ternational crises in Somalia and tives came from European officials and Arab analysts: that Bagbdad Bosnia and would therefore be un-

wanted to test the international ready to act decisively in Iraq. "It's a miscalculation, especially community's steadfastness in en-forcing UN resolutions and, meetat the moment when allied airing firm resistance, backed down. power facilities in Turkey are being renewed, so it is not a time to fool Within hours of the shooting down, Iraq made political conces-sions at UN headquarters about food convoys to Kurds. Subse-quent dashes by Iraqi aircraft into

around," an official said. Iraqi misapprehensions about France might have seemed more plausible. For months, semiofficial French emissaries, including executives of state-owned oil compa-nies, have been hinting to Baghdad that the Paris government might be prepared to advocated leniency for Iraq in the Security Council in exchange for preferential treatment in a postembargo Iraq.

But France endorsed the U.S. decision to enforce the rule against Iraoi flights, and it took the occasion to announce French support for tough enforcement of an aerial exclusion zone in Bosnia declared by the Security Council.



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Deportees Is Rejected

Deal to Aid

By David Hoffman Washington Post Service JERUSALEM - Lebanon re-

jected on Tuesday an Israeli proposal to allow simultaneous aid convoys to reach 415 Palestinians stranded in southern Lebanon after Israel deported them.

The proposal marked the first time Israel, under international pressure to help the deportees, had expressed willingness to permit the International Committee of the Red Cross to pass through Israeli lines to bring them food and medicine_

On Friday, a divided Israeli cabinet narrowly rejected allowing the Red Cross to go through Israel's self-declared security zooe in southern Lebanon, and on Sunday Israeli officials repeated this stand

to a United Nations envoy. But the government has been facing growing pressure at home and abroad to help the Palestinians, who are camped on a hillside between Lebanese and Israel military checkpoints and who assert that they are running low on food and medicine.

nd medicine. Both Israel and Lebanon maintain that the other is responsible for the deportees. The latest proposal was for each to send a convoy of humanitarian aid to them.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres of Israel who has advocated sending help to the deportees, said Israel would agree to do so il Lebanon "won't make political use" of the issue, and if it would also agree to help them.

But Prime Minister Rafik Hariri rejected the proposed compromise just before a meeting with a UN envoy, James O. C. Jonah, who had came from meetings in Israel.

"He is wasting his time," Mr. Hariri said. "It is a wasted trip." Mr. Jonah was also barred from meeting with the deportees, officials said

"Of course Israel would propose this as Israel wants to say this is a no-man's-land," Mr. Hariri said. "But these people are on Israelioccupied territory and Israel should provide them with food and medical supplies."

Red Cross officials in Geneva criticized the decision, saying Lebanon had shut the door on a promising proposal. Meanwhile, the deportees issued a statement calling on Issael to comply with a UN resolution urging their repatriation. Israel deported the Palestinians in retaliation for the killings of five Israeli soldiers and a border policeman. It said that the deportees were suspected of being members of the Islamic fundamentalist organiza-

Günter Grass Resigns **From German Socialists**

Reuters BONN - The German author back on an agreement with the gov-crament to limit asylum rights in Gunter Grass told a newspaper Tuesday that he had left the opposition Social Democrats to protest "It is alarming, naturally, be-cause perhaps others will follow his example," the spokeswoman, Cortheir cooperation with the govern-ment in limiting rights of political

asylum for foreigners. A spokeswoman for the Social Democrats said the loss of a well-

Airport Arrest

For 2 Who Left

Children Home

United Press International

CHICAGO — A suburban Chicago couple who had left

their two young daughters home alone while they vaca-

tioned in Mexico were arrested

Tuesday at the airport here

The authorities said that

Charles, Illinois, were arrested

at O'Hare Airport on charges

leaving their daughters Nicole,

9, and Diana, 4, home without

supervision. The Schoos were

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The 65-year-old writer, whose best-known novel is "The Tin known intellectual was a blow but

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nelie Sonntag, said.

Drum," had been a vocal supporter and loyal critic of the leftist Social Democrats since the early 1960s.

would not force the party to go

Mr. Grass, in the newspaper Lö-becker Nachrichten, accused the party of "hypocrisy and vicious-ness" for bowing to government demands for strict limits to asylum rights.

"My resignation and those of many others will have an effect," Mr. Grass told the oewspaper, printed in his oorthern home state of Schleswig-Holstein.

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Miss Sonntag said Mr. Grass had announced his resignation in a letter to party leaders before Christmas.

David and Sharoo Schoo of St. "Of course it does not leave the party unmoved or indifferent," she of child abandonment after said, "when a prominent companion through the years, who was also the spokesman and symbol for those artists who joined the SPD. turns his back on us."

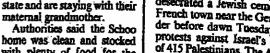
The situation came to light The Social Democrats, in a ma-Dec. 21 when the smoke alarm jor policy shift, agreed this month to help Chancellor Helmut Kobl amend the Constitution to stem a rising tide of foreign refugees seek-ing asylum. More than 406,000 refugees have arrived in Germany from January to November.

Jewish Cemetery Attacked

Vandals armed with spray cans desecrated a lewish cemetery in a French town near the German border before dawn Tuesday, writing der betore dawn aussday, writing protests against Israel's expulsion of 415 Palestinians, The Associated Press reported from Strasbourg.

One of the graffiti at the cemetery in Cronenbourg, a suburb of Strasbourg, read "415."

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Fast Action Urged on Campaign Finance Law

WASHINGTON - A coalition of 48 national organizations has urged Bill Clinton to make good on his campaign promise and move quickly to ensure that campaign finance reform legislation is enacted.

The group cantioned Mr. Clinton in a recent letter to avoid following in the path of President Jimmy Carter, who also promised to reform the financing system: "It is critical to avoid the six-month delay that ended up killing campaign finance reform in 1977 under remarkably similar circumstances following the election of Jimmy Carter. Any delays will only play into the hands of those out to kill or gat real campaign finance reform."

The group includes Common Cause, Public Citizen, League of Women Voters, American Association of Retired Persons, Citizen Action, National Urban League and Woman's National Democratic Club.

Focus on 'the Forgotten Half' is Planned

WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration plans to focus much of its education program on what it calls "the forgotten half," the huge population of high school students who do not go to college, transition officials said.

A key component of the concept may be a proposal under consideration by Bill Clinton to create 300,000 youth apprentice-ships — at an estimated cost of \$1 billion over the next four years — in which on-the-job work experience would be combined with the latter two years of high school and two years of community college educations.

"Apprenticeships will be a high priority," said Michael Cohen, co-director of the education transition team that presented the proposal to Mr. Clinton and an official of the National Center on Education and Economy.

The plan is loosely patterned after programs in Europe, particular-ly in Germany, where, experts said, the world's most effective apprenticeships have been in effect for decades.

Business leaders have encouraged the president-elect to focus more attention on these young people. They contend that interna-tional competitors such as Germany and Japan do a better joh than tional competitors such as Germany and Japan do a determined of the United States in preparing most young people — not just the academically talented — to move into skilled jobs in a technological-termined economy. (LAT)

Clinton Accepts, and Oxford is 'Delighted'

Bill Clinton has accepted an honorary fellowship at Oxford's University College, where he studied as a Rhodes Scholar in the late 1960s.

"We are absolutely delighted - no doubt about that," Professor Wyndham John Albery, master of University College, said Tuesday, "It's wonderful to have a member of the college as president of the United States,"

Mr. Clinton will not have to teach any courses, do research or grade papers as an honorary fellow. "It is entirely pleasurable," Professor Albery said, "All the presi-

dent-elect is asked to do is come and feast with us twice a year. He gets an invitation to each feast."

Mr. Clinton was unanimously elected in October by the college's governing body, composed of the master and 45 fellows. But the college had trouble contacting him and did not receive his acceptance until last week, the professor said.

"He said that his duties would be very ouerous and he would hope to attend one of the feasts a year," Professor Albery said. "As master, that would be totally acceptable," University College is the oldest of the 20 colleges that make up Oxford University. (AP)

Quote/Unquote:

Ann Lewis, a Democratic consultant from Boston, on the impact a larger contingent of women will have on the Senate: "Listen, the minute they sit in that chamber, they'll change the whole culture of the place. You won't hear the stupid jokes. You won't see so-called women's legislation shunted aside. For the first time you'll hear speeches about abortion and child care and family leave made by people, women, with a degree of authority." (LAT)

Making Points: Clinton to Fly 50 'Just Folks' to Washington

By Richard L. Berke New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Clearly convinced

that his forays into McDonald's restaurants are not enough, Bill Clinton plans to go all out to show that his administration will be of and for the common people: He is shipping them to Washington for hunch.

Inaugural officials said they would fly in more than 50 people for what is billed as an "intimate" lunch. Actually, the visits will last a week and include admission to all the major inaugural events. The \$500,000 bill is being paid by the inauguration committee.

The guests, from veterans to teachers to people whose children have mental orders to preachers, were obviously picked to make political points.

The lists even includes two former Los Angeles gang members who now run a on Jan. 18, will be at the Folger Shakeyouth organization; Charles Rachael is a speare Library.

former member of the Crips and Leon Gullette is a former member of the rival Bloods. Also invited are Louise and Clifford Ray, whose son, Ricky, 15, died of are calling the guests "Faces of Hope." AIDS two weeks ago.

initial list of more than 300 people was Other guests include Patrick Murphy, culled to those with the most compelling stories. It includes representatives from a disabled Vietnam veteran from Las Vegas; Michael A. Quercio, a teacher in Boston who has AIDS: Frank Henderevery region and every ethnie and religious hackground. Some of the guests son, a former timber worker from Pleaswere often mentioned in campaign ant Hill, Oregon; Mary Poldruhi, who runs a pirogi shop in Parma, Ohio, and Demitrios Theosanis, a hotel worker in speeches by Mr. Clinton. Manhattan.

nary Americans, the importing of people to Washington appeared to be an effort hy Mr. Clinton to temper the ostenta-Although Mr. Clinton is not inviting his guests to the Georgetown parlor of nousness of inaugural week during a time Pamela Harriman, who will be the host of of economic distress. the "A" list dinner parties for Democrats, these guests and their families will not be To the delight of the public, and the frustration of his aides, Mr. Clinton was dining on hurgers and fries either: Their hunch with the Clintons and the Gores,

often late to events during the campaign because he enjoyed hanging around to cbat with people. Some of those people

Mr. Clinton's aides said the hunch was hope to continue their conversations with his idea, and they vigorously denied that him in Washington. it was a political stunt. Inaugural officials

Mr. Quercio, the teacher who has AIDS, said he introduced himself to Mr. The guest list was arrived at after an Clinton at a fund-raising dinner in Bos-ton and was surprised that Mr. Clinton was interested in hearing about how he was coping with the illness.

"Of all things, I called him Bill," recalled Mr. Quercio, 32. "We were in a room full of people elamoring to be close Besides demonstrating his tics to ordito him, and he held my hand for four or five minutes and never took his eyes off me. I think it's really ironic that I've never been in Washington before to consider that my first visit is one in which I'll be honored by the president-elect."

> Another emotional moment was described by Mr. Murphy, the Viennam War veteran, who recounted his conversation with Mr. Clinton about the high suicide rate of veterans.

> > By Walter Pincus

"His eves were glassed over, and he

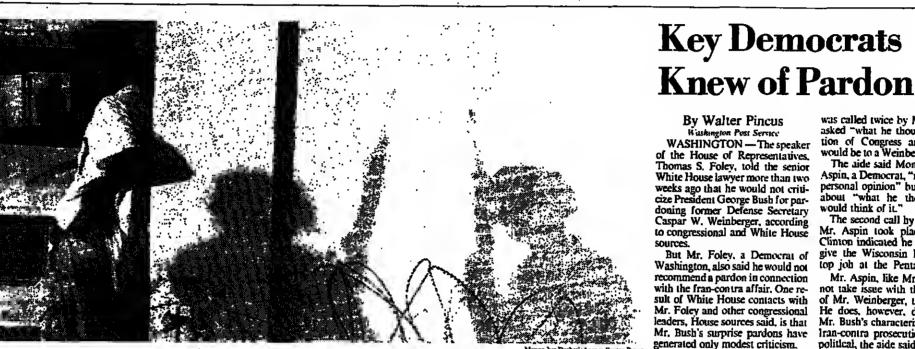
started to choke up and he hugged me three times." Mr. Murphy recalled. Three days later he wrote me and said it was one of the most emotional moments the campaign."

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Mr. Henderson said Mr. Clinton was riveted when he told him how he had been laid off from the timber industry in Oregon, went through a retraining program and opened a plastics welding busi-

"He was really interested in thermo-plastic welding." Mr. Henderson said. "He had never heard of it before. I went with the kids back to his hotel, and I probably talked to him off and on for three and a half hours."

Ms. Poldruhi, who runs the pirogi shop, said she expected to talk at length with Mr. Clinton about the plight of small husinesses, and with Mr. Gore about the environment.



In Mogadishu, a Somali youth standing at the entrance to the U.S. Embassy compound, almost in the shadows of two Marine guards.

U.S. Cracks Down on Somali Gunmen

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher MOGADISHU, Somalia - U.S. forces began a crackdown Tuesday on gunmen in the Somali capital. seizing weapons, missiles and armed vehicles 48 hours before a visit by President George Bush. U.S. Air Force planes dropped 100,000 leaflets on Mogadishu warning residents that machine

guns, mortars, assault rifles and "technical" armored trucks with or without guns mounted would not

said. The seizures included the confis-gional "bridgeheads" in central and southern Somalia's famine belt said counted as "technicals" be- from which they will escort food in carnest of a crackdown by the tention to imposing order in Moga-international force on bandits in dishu, awash with weapons from fighting among rival factions.

Red Cross and one for the relief agency CARE on Monday in inci-dents that highlighted continued lawlessness, officials from the don Christmas Eve, was Repre-

Mr. Bush is going to Somalia to meet U.S. troops in what may be his final act as commander in chief. The visit will last 27 hours, half of it defense secretary.

Mr. Aspin, according to an aide,

was called twice by Mr. Gray and Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - The speaker asked "what he thought the reaction of Congress and the press would be to a Weinberger pardon." The aide said Monday that Mr. Aspin, a Democrat, "never gave his weeks ago that he would not criti-cize President George Bush for par-

would think of it." The second call by Mr. Gray to Mr. Aspin took place after Mr. Clinton indicated he was going to give the Wisconsin legislator the top job at the Pentagon,

Mr. Aspin, like Mr. Foley, does not take issue with the pardoning of Mr. Weinberger, the aide said He does, however, disagree with Mr. Bush's characterization of the Iran-contra prosecutions as being political, the aide said

Mr. Foley's remarks to the White House counsel, C. Boyden Gray, An aide to Mr. Foley said tital the speaker, who is on vacation came in a phone call that was part had told Mr. Gray that "if the presof the preparatory work done by ident ultimately made the decision Mr. Weinberger, his attorneys and he would not criticize it."

the White House to seek support or Mr. Weinberger was to have silence from key Democrats in adstood trial starting Jan. 5 on four counts of lying to congressional in-vestigators and prosecutors under vance of the formal request to the president for a pardon on Dec. 18. Another Democrat contacted in Lawrence E. Walsh, the independent counsel investigating the affair.

Mr. Walsh said last week the pardon of Mr. Weinberger and the others had completed a cover-up of the affair, involving the sale of arms to Iran and the diversion of elect Bill Clinton's choice to be proceeds to help the Nicaraguan

sentative Les Aspin of Wisconsin. chairman of the House Armed Services Committee and President-

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cause they had gun mounts. The supplies to the hush. Commanders agencies said. seizmes appeared to mark the start say they are now turning their at-

Gunmen shot to death four So- on the ship Tripoli. (Reuters, AP)

• Washington and Baltimore will become one huge metropolitan area under a long-anticipated reclassification announced by the Office of Management and Budget, making the consolidated area the fourth largest market in the country. The decision will officially extend the metropolis into West Virginia and stretch it as far north as Hagerstown, Maryland. The new area will rank fourth in population nationwide, with a combined population of 6.7 million. Currently, Washington is ranked eighth and Baltimore 18th.

• The 1992 motor vehicle fatality toll in the United States is expected to be 39,500, the lowest in 30 years. Transportation Secretary Andrew H. Card Jr. said the projected total was 5 percent lower than the 1991 death toll of 41,462 and the lowest since 38,980 in 1962. The reduction in fatalities was credited in part to the use of seat belts. Data also showed that fewer fatal crashes involved alcohol use.

 About 300 off-daty police officers protested in Chicago outside a sold-out concert by the rap singer Ice-T over his controversial song "Cop Killer." Many of the officers from the city and suburbs wore placards bearing the names of slain police officers.

• Four people have been charged in a thrill-killing spree in Dayton, Ohio, that left five people dead and four wounded, the police said. Two adults and two juveniles, all from Dayton, were charged with aggravated murder and rohbery. A prosecutor said he would seek the death penalty against two of the suspects, aged 19 and 20, and seek to have the others, aged 16 and 17, tried as adults. That would mean they could get up to 25 years in life in prison if convicted.

•A stivute plane crashed near the Tuisa, Oklahoma, international airport, killing at least three people on board, the authorities said. They said the twin-engine Beechcraft had taken off from Columbia, Missouri without filing a flight plan and apparently hit some trees while attempting to land. There was some log in the area, they added. • Cincinnati sought permission to cut short the Ku Khux Klan's display a cross on a public square in the city, telling a U.S. appeals court it was mable to prevent repeated attacks on the cross, the third to be crocted on the site after others were knocked down. The city also asked the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for a quick decision on its appeal of a judge's Sept. 21 order that let a Jewish group put up

a menorth on the square. The court did not immediately rule WP. UPI, AP, AFP

Americans' Last Days: Solitary, Poor, Short

Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - What do Americans' lives look like in their last year before death? Most do not have much money; many drink or smoke; nearly half are disabled; and many spend time in hospitals or nursing homes, although more than one-quarter had been living alone before they

These are some of the findings of a recent study, one of the most exhausive ever of the last year of life, conducted for the federal National Center for Health Statistics.

The study covered the year 1986, during which about 2 million Americans died. It looked at the 95 percent of the deaths that involved people over 24 years of age, using a broad sample of information obtained more than the life. from death certificates, relatives, care-givers, medical aides and the like. Among the findings:

• For many, the cupboard was, if not bare, rather sparsely stocked. "Family income in the full year before death was reported to be under \$5,000 for 17.2 percent of the decedents. between \$5,000 and \$14,999 for 33.7 percent, between \$15,000 and \$24,999 for 14.1 percent, and \$25,000 and more for 14.8 percent," it said.

• Thirty-one percent of those who died were reported as having smoked 25 or more cigarettes a day at various times during their lives. A white male who never smoked could expect to live eight years longer than a beavy smoker.

• Among males who died, those who had two or more drinks a day at various periods in their lives had a far higher rate of early death than abstainers: 42 percent were under 65, compared with only 22 percent of the abstainers.

 "Only 16.9 percent of the decedents were reported to have engaged in regular aerobic exercise." the study found. Three-quarters of those who died had a hospital stay in their last

year, and about one-quarter had a nursing-home stay.

Mr. Bush was scheduled to arrive in the capital on Thursday, to meet with U.S. Marines and visit a nearby International Red Cross hospital and feeding center. The military command said the president would spend Friday at Baidoa and Bali Dogle, two towns that American troops wrested from the gunmen who had logted international food and medical aid to starving villag-

be tolerated on the streets. The leaflet said that anyone pointing weapons at members of the multi-

national task force would be shot.

Colonel Fred Peck, a military spokesman, said U.S. troops had seized a large cache of arms and missiles in northcast Mogadishu and a smaller arsenal from a building opposite the U.S. Embassy compound, which Mr. Bush will visit. Colonel Peck said Marines had taken over the building.

"We would not feel confident about the president visiting the compound without occupying that huilding because we have been sniped at from that location on

Cuomo Gives Clemency to Jean Harris

The Associated Pres

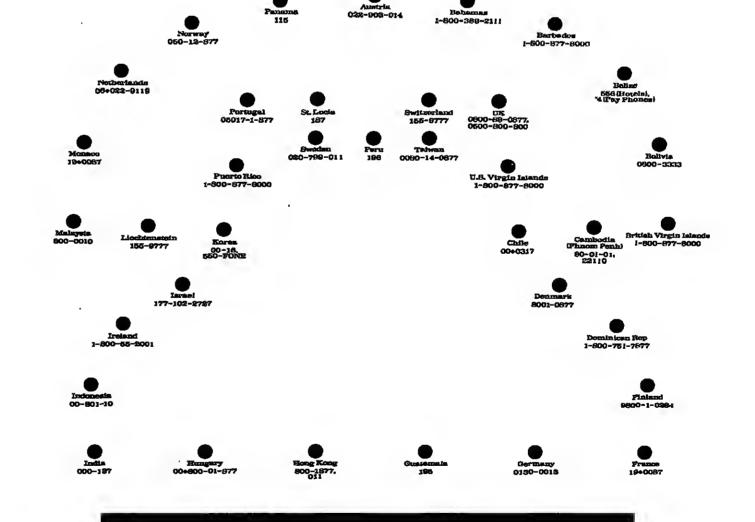
ALBANY, New York - Jean Harris, the boarding school head-mistress imprisoned for murdering Dr. Herman Tarnower, the creator of the "Scarsdale Diet," in 1980, was granted a elemency Tuesday by Governor Mario M. Cuomo. The elemency was issued just hours before Mrs. Harris was scheduled to undergo heart sur-gery, a Cuomo spokesman said. She has served nearly 12 years of a

15-year-to-life term. Mr. Cuomo cited her age, 69, and medical condition, as well as her efforts to help fellow inmates, as reasons for granting clemency. It makes her immediately eligible for parole, which is expected to be

granted. She had a heart attack Wednesday night in the Bedford Hills Correctional Facility, her second heart attack since she was sentenced in March 1981. She was to undergo quadruple bypass surgery Tuesday afternoon.

The former head of the exclusive Madeira School for Girls in McLean, Virginia, was convicted of murdering Dr. Tarnower, her longtime lover and the author of the best-selling diet book, on March 10, 1980. In a sensational trial, She maintained that she had meant to kill herself because Dr. Tarnower had taken up with a younger wom-

an. She shot him four times. Mr. Cuomo had rebuffed previous requests for elemency from Mrs. Harris.



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Arms Pact Awaits Approval by Bush and Yeltsin

By Elaine Sciolino New York Times Service GENEVA - Secretary of State Lawrence

S. Eaglehurger and Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev of Russia announced agreement nent remark, considering that Larry Eagleburger has lost his bottle of whiskey. Tuesday on terms for an ambitious nuclear afms reduction treaty. Rushing to conclude the agreement before ified Mr. Eagleburger's remarks on the agreement, saying that the two sides had not completed a final, authoritative treaty text

the Bush administration leaves office in three weeks, and armed with the political goodwill of both presidents, the United States compromised on the three technical but important demands by the Russians.

translate the text and put it into legally In remarks to reporters outside the United States Mission after a 100-minute meeting, hinding language, and both sides left their Mr. Eagleburger said the two sides had made technical experts behind in Geneva to thrash "very good progress" in their two days of intense talks and woold submit their proout the remaining details. posed text within bours to their presidents. "We now have I think a text that we can put to the two presidents," Mr. Eagleburger said, adding: "The presidents will theo bave to look at what we have come up with. The final decision will be theirs."

Mr. Kozyrev, who offered on Monday in et a bottle of whiskey on a positive outbet a bottle of whiskey on a positive out-

meeting, a victory that could divert attention from his much-criticized pardon of former come, told reporters that he agreed with Mr. Eaglehurger's characterization of the suc-Reagan officials in the Iran-contra scandal. cessful outcome, joking: "It is a very perti-

The agreement would also represent Mr. Bush's third arms-control agreement. In 1990 he signed an East-West accord to slash Later, a senior administration official clartanks and troops in Europe, and last year he signed the initial START treaty with Russia to cut strategic nuclear weapons by oneready for signing at a summit meeting. Indeed, Mr. Eagleburger said last Sunday that even if both sides agreed on the issues, it third.

For his part, Mr. Yeltsin, who can no longer alford an arms race with Washington, knows that if he does not sign a treaty with the same American team that wrote it, it could take months at the very least before the new Clinton administration installs its own arms-cootrol team

The agreement, known as START-2, will Both Mr. Bush and Mr. Yeltsin have expressed their desire to wrap up the most farslash the two nations' arsenals of 22,500 reaching nuclear arms-control treaty in hisnuclear warheads by two-thirds by the year tory, and it is not likely that they would 2003, three years sooner if the United States helps to pay for dismantling. In the end, the United States agreed to Mr. Bush, who views his work on arms

allow Russia in keep rather than destroy some of their fixed silos on land used to store 10-warhead SS-18 missiles,

Even though the SS-18s, the most formida-hle intercontinental ballistic missiles in the Russian arsenal, are to be eliminated, the United States initially balked at allowing the Russians to modify the silos for the storage of other missiles, arguing that there was no guarantee that the Russians would oot secretly reconfigure the silos for SS-18s someday. But the Russians successfully argued that destruction of all the silos was both unnecessary and too costly.

The United States will also allow Russia. again as a cost-saving measure, to convert an undisclosed number of its remaining 170 SS-19 multiple-warhead missiles into single warhead missiles instead of banning them completely. The two sides agreed that the designated missiles can be changed by removing five of their six warheads.

Finally, the United States has agreed to a complicated series of arrangements to assure Russia - particularly right-wing oationalists in the Russian parliament who have criticized the agreement - about how many nuclear warheads will remain on American bombers.

ARMS: **Cuts in Missiles**

(Continued from page 1)

delaying on getting nuclear weap-ons off their soil. More widely, the deep cuts - to about a third of the present U.S. and Russian arsenals --- will help end complaints by other countries that they are being criticized for wanting ouclear weapons while Washington and Moscow maintain enormous stockpiles.

In military terms, the treaty's vi-sion of a world less threatened by nuclear weapons would enhance And Poet, Is Dead the security of the United States and of Russia. Deterrence based on single-warhead missiles would not worry the other power, but should be enough to intimidate other possiole adversaries, including China. a short-story writer and novelist renowned for her powerful style and insights into human nature, In practical military terms, the critical issue is how fast a START-2 treaty can be put into effect. The died Sunday in Mill Valley, Caliunderstanding between Mr. Bush and Mr. Yeltsin called for the refornia, after having been in declin-ing health for the last year. moval from missiles of about 4,000 U.S. warheads and 2,500 Russian dozen books, including many warhcads by the year 2000. This reduction would being each side to about 4,000 warheads. works of fiction, seven books of poetry and four books for children. which were published in The New

Experts are urging both sides to move faster, even if it takes U.S. financial assistance to help Russia do the job. Once the warheads are removed, the threat of a major nu-clear exchange finally will be elimi-

In addition, collecting the warheads in heavily guarded storage offers' the best guarantee against seeing some of them fall into the wrong hands. Some of the Sovietmade missiles covered by START-2, including SS-17s, SS-18s, SS-19s and SS-24s, are in Ukraine and

Kazakhstan, so the treaty should step up pressure to disarm those missiles

Carrying out the treaty will be contended that the fineness of her expensive: Even U.S. engineers insights was "such as no other writer of our time, in English at least, face daunting problems in trying to adjust the Minuteman-3 interconcan match. tinential missile to perform accu-

-including "Playtime," "The Tri-al" and "Purple Noon." He also appeared in several stage plays and Her work, which also included

Kenyans Throng . To Polls Balloting Marked By Uneasy Calm

Asian Criminals

Sprouting in U.S.

Los Angeles Times Service

WASHINGTON - Asian crime groups now rank as "a problem of dramatic proportions" in the United States and abroad, and steps

by law enforcement to counter the threat are largely inadequate.

In a report issued Tuesday after a 15-mooth investigation, the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations said operations

by the groups in California were expanding, and it proposed sweep-ing changes in police tactics to fight the crime wave.

The groups' illegal activities range from oarcotics trafficking, money-laundering, bribery and business exuntion to alien smug-

gling, home invasion robberies, computer chip theft and credit card counterfeiling, said Senator William V. Roth Jr., Republican of

Delaware, the ranking minority member who directed the investiga-

The report noted that the "vası majority of Asian-Americans are hard-working law-abiding citizens," and that only a small fraction are involved in organized crime. Most victims of Asian organized

crime groups are Asians, the report said, reflecting a distrust of law-

enforcement authorities, language barriers and perceived disinterest

The report contained no statistics to support its conclusions, but

was based instead on anecdotal evidence supplied by the police and

Much of the activity described is violent, with highly mobile Vietnamese street gangs specializing in home invasion robberies and ethnic Chinese criminal groups dominating heroin sunggling. At the

same time, Japanese groups have been laundering illicit funds in the United States, often through the purchase of real estate.

U.S. law-enforcement agencies are hampered in their fight against the growing threat by a lack of foreign language skills, an inadequate knowledge of Asian cultures and a failure to gather and share criminal intelligence, the report said.

John F. Melby, 79,

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nist Party.

McCarthy Era Figure

New York Times Service

Kay Boyle, Writer

Senate investigators say.

tion that led to the report.

By Eric Pace

New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Kay Boyle, 90,

Miss Boyle wrote more than four

But it was for her short stories,

Yorker, Harper's and elsewhere,

that she was particularly ac-claimed. Some critics called "The

White Horses of Vienna" (1936) a

She won the first of her two O,

Henry Memorial Awards for short-

story writing for the title story of that 1936 collection and the second

for "Defeat" in 1941, She also won

a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1934.

The writer Stephen Vincent Be-net once described Miss Boyle's

style as being "as bright as an icicle and light as the bones of a bird."

And the critic Louis Kronenberger

particularly fine collection.

by policemen

the FBI.

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By Kenneth B. Noble

New York Times Service NAKURA, Kenya - With their country's political stability hanging in the balance, millions of Kenyans voted Tuesday in their first free and broadly contested election in nearly a quarter of a century.

The incumbeot president. Daniel arap Moi, who has ruled Kenya for 14 years, faced seven challengers. with about 700 candidates contesting the 188 seats in the singlechamber parliament.

There were no immediate reports of serious violence or irregularities. and the security forces remained well away from most voting areas Still, many feared that the calm would not last beyond Tuesday, especially if, as most impartial observers predict. Mr. Moi wins a narrow victory and the vote is

widely seen as fraudulent. What finally happens here, moreover, is considered an impor-tant test of whether Western-style multiparty politics will continue to take hold in sub-Saharan Africa. Over the last few months, the pace of the democratic revolution sweeping the continent's formerly authoritarian, single-party governments, has slowed, and in some cases, gone into reverse.

Multiparty elections beld last September in Angola, for example, were followed hy a bloody struggle for power that has yet to be be resolved. Earlier this mooth, Nige-John F. Melby, 79, a diplomat who was dismissed from the State ria's military rulers postponed a return to civilian democracy sched-Department during the McCarthy era and attributed his ouster to an

uled for January, citing increased economic hardships.

affair with Lillian Hellman, died on Elsewhere, recent elections in Ghana and Cameroon have been Dec. 18 of a heart attack in Guelph, bitterly denounced by newly legal-A book published in 1989 de-tailed how in the early 1950s, at the ized opposition parties who have alleged that they were beaten only because the balloting was rigged by height of anti-Communist fervor in the United States, the State Dethe governing party — a charge that has been often heard here, partment investigated whether Mr. Melby posed a security risk be-cause of his relationship with the In the final days of Kenya's camsaign, political debate was overplaywright, who was reputed to be a former member of the Commushadowed by allegations of bribery and cheating, outbreaks of violence

and intensifying ethnic rivalry. Some Kenyans say the growing Ms. Hellman, who never public-ly acknowledged belonging to the party, testified before the departunruliness may spur voters toward Mr. Moi, who has campaigned on the themes of stability and continument's Loyalty Security Board on Mr. Melby's behalf, but he was dismissed in 1953. William R. Kearus, 69, an Ameri-

ity, argning that the opposition is so riven with personal rivalries that they are incapable of governing. Still, by sub-Saharan African standards, the political turmoil in Kenva seems comparatively manageable. Unlike Nigeria or Zaire, there is little talk here of disgruntled military officers pressing their own agenda and sweeping the civilian authorities from power. Nor, for the most part, are Kenya's eco-

By any accounting, Kenya re-

tinuing liability for Mr. Moi. This

point was driven home last year

when most Western donors, includ-

ing the United States, citing con-

tinuing economic malfeasance

within the Moi government, de-

clared that they would either sus-

pend or reduce aid to Kenva.



would take about 72 hours to finalize and

control as one of the major achievements of

reject the recommendations.

Legislators discussing the resignation of Mr. Collor in Brazilia on Tuesday. The resignation came minutes after his Senate trial started.

BRAZIL: Collor Quits as Trial Starts but Senate Goes On to Convict Him

(Continued from page 1) former campaign treasurer, Paulo

César Farias. Mr. Farias, who also faces criminal charges, is in Europe. Investigators assert that millions

of dollars worth of Mr. Collor's expenses were paid for with hribes collected by Mr. Farias in the president's name from contractors do-ing business with the government,

As governor of Alagoas, one of Brazil's smallest and poorest states, young cabinet ministers with little or no government experience or colorful figures tike the ecologist José Lutzenberger as environment in contrast to his predecessor. In contrast to his predecessor. tion platform. He took office the following

March, promising to take care of the country's leading problem, in-flation, with a "single bullet." Mr. Collor moved boldly in

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minister, His personal lifestyle was flam-

boyant. Mr. Collor, a black belt in karate, was pictured flying an air force fighter jet and driving a tank. He favored expensive suits and

when his brother Pedro, angry over the president's investment in a radio and newspaper company that

Mr. Collor's troubles began assets.

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Itamar Franco is a down-to-earth

politician known for his honesty and sincerity, The Associated Press reported from Rio de Janeiro. His last act before taking the

oath on Tuesday was testimony to the integrity for which he is famous: He handed Senator Mauro Benevides, president of the legisla-ture, a sheet of paper, saying, "Let me first give you a statement of my

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threatened to compete with his own media holdings, went to the press with tales of corruption. plause. The accusations unleashed an in-

vestigation that yielded plentiful evidence about Mr. Collor's opulent lifestyle, including an apart-ment in Paris and European shopping sprees for his wife, Roseane. Such reports, in a country where nearly 90 million people live in poverty, did oot make Mr. Collor popular. Buying power among the poor is at a 50-year low, and inflation, which was to be Mr. Collor's top priority, is running at 25 per-cent a month, or 1,500 percent a

усаг. It is unlikely that Mr. Franco

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U.S. Embassy in Tehran. But

Egyptian, Syrian, Moroccan and

Tunisian officials, fearful that their

own fundamentalist movements

will receive a significant boost from

the creation of an Islamie state in

Algeria, are doing their best to

Egyptian authorities, who work

closely with the Algerian security

forces, are shipping in Muslim cler-ics to try to challenge the militants on theological grounds.

It would appear, however, that Algerians' widespread dissatisfac-

tion with their government is root-

ed in economics, and that the fun-damentalists' appeal among

Algeria's urban, secularized major-

ity lies more in their reputation for

Government officials in Algeria

believe that if they can crush the

Islamic movement and ram

through economic austerity mea-

sures, they can regain control of the

country. The government has

promised presidential elections by

"The crux of the prohlem is eco-

nomic," said Abdel Hamid Cheb-

chouh, a Foreign Ministry official.

"Once we help the young people

find work and hring down the cost

But opposition leaders say that

few Algerians are in the mood to

make further sacrifices, especially

as the government has moved to

reverse some of the market-orient-

ed policies introduced by its prede-

cessor and has failed to tackle what

many Algerians believe is wide-

spread corruption within the gov-

"No one recognizes the legitima-

cy of this regime, and no one is

going to endure an economic aus-terity program imposed by these officials," said Mohammed Cherifi,

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will wholeheartedly follow Mr. and opposed Collor's program of opening the medications.

The gallery in the Senate build- rately when carrying only a single ing hurst into laughter and ap- warhead instead of the three warheads now mounted on each mis-Mr. Franco's concern for the sile.

poor and his style have struck a receptive chord among most Brazil- nancial and political problems in ians, though business leaders and bankers fear a reversal of Mr. Col-Bush administration, cager to keep lor's market-oriented economic np the momentum toward curbing policies. nuclear weapons, made conces-

After becoming acting president, Mr. Franco, a former mayor and sions, including permission for some SS-18 silos to be converted two-term senator, sought to redress some of the inequities of Mr. Colfor use hy other missiles and oot destroyed lor's economic shock plan. He The Bush administration reject-

ALGERIA: Fear of Islamic Rule CASH:

face chaos."

promised to double the monthly ed objections that a hard-line Rusminimum wage to \$100 a month in sian regime could use the silos for January. He also authorized a ma- reassembled SS-18s, saying that ior increase in retirement benefits constantly improving U.S. abilities ior increase in retirement benefits and opposed price increases for to monitor nuclear developments could compensate for this risk.

ed admiration from critics for more than half a century. It was colored by years of living in different parts of Europe. Russia will have even greater fi-Miss Boyle was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, She spent much of her

childhood in Europe and then returned to the United States, where she attended school in Washington for a time and then in Cincinnati.

With her first husband, an engieer whom she met in Cincinnati, Miss Boyle lived briefly in New York, where she attended Columbia University. The couple then went to Europe, where Miss Boyle stayed for almost 20 years.

Stephen J. Albert, 51, American Composer New York Times Service

Stephen J. Albert, 51, a composer of symphonic music who won the 1985 Pulitzer Prize for his "Symphony Riverrun," was killed Sunday in an antomobile accident in Truro, Massachusetts.

Many of his recent works, including his prize-winning symphoov, have been based on sections of James Joyce's "Finnegans Wake" and "Ulysses.

Mr. Albert had worked in several styles since the late 1960s, when he three percentage points. made an impact with atonal and electronic works. By the mid-1970s, he began moving away from ex-perimentalism and toward a neoprove with Bill Clinton as president, and nearly a third said the economy was "getting better." Romantic use of tonality and instrumental color.

FISHY: Troubled Waters in U.K.

(Continued from page 1) trout anglers, owners have seized

on the marketing advantage that declared, there will be two official comes with baving people catch game fish records. One will be for really big fish from their ponds. Nigel Jackson, the owner of what the association calls "cultivated" fish, and a second for natural Dever Springs, would be the last fish that have spent at least two-thirds of their life in the wild. person to disagree. He determined-

ly feeds and hreeds his trout to "It's a compromise, really," said produce the biggest nature will al-Christopher Poupard, the director low, and does not worry about of the association, who says he what anyone else thinks. spurned demands by some purists that farmed fish be banned altogether from the record books.

"That seemed a worse problem," Mr. Poupard said, "because we didn't want to see fishing go the way of boxing, with different land a really big one. himself not merely as a fishery groups creating rival lists of chammanager, but as an agent of a kind of democratization of a sport that

for years was the province of the Part of the prohlem is that trout wealthy and privileged. Even lishing purists say they are forced to agree that science has fishing, like so many other sports, has become more and more of a business. This is particularly so in increasingly outrun the sport, in part to address the growing expec-Britain, where most trout waters are privately owned and anglers who want a spot on the bank either tations of the growing numbers of have to be born into the right famanglers. These days, when even ily, know someone who is --- or buy lakes are regularly stocked with fina day's admission. gerlings raised in hatcheries, there are in Britain few purely natural

have spread in recent years, io re- trout, born and hred wholly in the sponse to the growing numbers of wild.

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dubbed roles in 1.200 movies. essays and translations commandpects for change seem hopeless. William C. Trucheart, 74, a U.S. diplomat in Saigon just before the American military buildup in Victmains one of the continent's most stable and prosperous countries. Yet there are problems just below nam, died Thursday of cancer. He was deputy chief of mission in Sai-gon from 1961 to 1964. the surface, the most immediate

can who became a well-known movie actor in France, died early

this month at his home in Chateau

d'Oex, Switzerland, As Bill Kearns,

his face and his speech, studded

with Americanisms, became famil-iar to French audiences in 150 films

being allegations of financial mis-Archbishop James Lyke of Atconduct, which have surfaced relanta, 53, the highest-ranking U.S. peatedly in recent years. hlack Roman Catholic clergyman, While corruption is not thought to have reached the level of plunder died Sunday of cancer. attributed to, say, Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire, it has been a con-

Ernest W. Hahn, 73, a builder of some of America's higgest shop-ping malls, died Monday of cancer

in San Diego. Thomas W. (Teddy) Gleason, 92, who as president of the Interna-tiocal Longshoremen's Association for 24 years ruled the docks of both the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, died Thursday in Manhattan.

POLL: Japanese Confidence Falls

(Continued from page 1) That was an increase in optimism cabinet approved a budget for the since the end of October, when next fiscal year, hut critics saw little only 17 percent said the economy new in it.

was on the upswing. As the new administration pre-pares to take office, Japanese are The poll findings were based oo nationwide telephone interviews with 1,333 Americans conducted also somewhat more pessimistic than Americans are about relations Dec. 7-9, and in-person interviews, with 1,357 Japanese conducted Dec. 3-9. Each poll has a margin of between the two countries, particularly on trade matters. Although 77 percent of Amerisampling error of plus or minus

cans describe relations as "friendly," and 17 percent say they are "unfriendly." Japanese are more closely divided. Fifty-three percent In the poll of Americans, 50 percent said the economy would imsay relations are friendly: 46 percent say they are not.

The percentage of Japanese who term relations unfriendly bas been rising since 1985, when the pou began asking the question. At that time, only 21 percent of Japanese expressed that view.

The two countries are far apart on the question of whether Japanese companies are competing un-fairly with American counterparts. or whether the United States is hlaming Japan for its own econom-ic problems. Among Americans, 40 percent said competition was un-fair, while 49 percent said Japan was being used as a scapegoat.

But 78 percent of Japanese said "Any publicity is good publicity as far as I'm concerned," said Mr. Jackson, whose fishery last year they were being blamed by America for problems that were not of their making; only 17 percent said drew 11,000 anglers, all hoping to Japanese companies were not competing fairly. In his own way, Mr. Jackson sees

Once again, the poll revealed that a majority of Japanese — this year about 77 percent --- say Amer-icans look down on Japanese. Only 18 percent said Americans respect the Japanese people.

But the results were very different when the question was asked in reverse: whether Japanese respect Americans. A total of 58 percent of Japanese said most Japanese do respect Americans, though only 31 percent of Americans share that belief. About 55 percent of Americans said Japanese look down on them, a view shared by 33 percent of Japanese.

employed. Lacking spare parts and transactions," but it did not elaboforeign exchange in import raw materials, the state enterprises that formed the backbone of the cenformed the backbone of the cen-tralized economy operate at 50 per-cent capacity. Many companies are unable to pay workers on time and there have been numerous strikes. The lifting of food subsidies this Korea. summer has doubled the cost of many basic commodities, and the housing shortage is so pronounced that dozens of people often share a single apartment.

The junta, backed by the army, seized power in a coup in January that forced out President Chadli According to South Korean esti-mates, North Korea last year ob-Bendjedid, who promoted democratic policies that led to the natained 1.1 million tons of crude oil tion's first free election a year ago. from China, 1 million tons from

The elections appeared set to give the militant Islamic Salvatioo Iran and 340,000 tons from the Commonwealth of Independent Front an overwhelming majority in States. North Korea may still be the Algerian Parliament. But the able to obtain some oil from Iran in second and decisive round of the exchange for missiles and other elections, scheduled for January,

the the first-round results were thrown out.

French acronym, FIS, calls for an Islamic state that would reject the political and cultural values of the West. It was outlawed in March and driven underground by the five-man junta known as the High State Council that bas ruled the when the parliament dismissed country since the coup.

power through the ballot box, has reformer when he was named to the mounted an armed revolt against post four years ago. The new prime the government with, Western dip- minister is Kang Song San, a Moslomats contend, significant help cow-trained economic official who from some supporters inside the is a cousin of President Kim II armed forces. Sung.

Weapons. was canceled after the coup, and North Korea is already in arrears on its \$4 billion foreign deht. In a sign of its problems, the official newspaper Workers Daily called in The Islamic Front, known by its October for a nationwide campaign to conserve energy. There has also

been a campaign about the health benefits of eating just one meal a day, a sure sign that food is scarce. Another indication of North Korea's difficulties came on Dec. 11,

Prime Minister Yon Hyong Muk, The Islamic movement, denied who was regarded as an economie

a former minister of trade. "If we Chinese Squeeze do not get some kind of representa-(Continued from page 1) tive government very soon we will final warning by China that its de-cision is final. The dispatch quoted Salaries are ravaged by a 40 percent inflation rate, and unemploy-ment is well above 20 percent, with Mr Kang as expressing "the hope that China and Korea will reach about half of the labor force underagreement on the crude oil and coal

> China has been a close ally of North Korea since the Korean War

The word here is that Chinese security officials foiled a plan by five North Korean agents to assassinate President Roh Tae Woo of South Korea during his September visit to Beijing. The report was never confirmed, and North Korea denied the reports.

STAGE/ENTERTAINMENT

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Listeners Rally to 'Save Radio Four'

By Judith Sullivan

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ONDON - Fiercely devoted Radio Four fans across the Cootinent are censed by the British Broadcasting Corporation's recent proposal to change Ratio Four's frequency from long-wave (I.W) to frequency modulation (FM), which does not travel over the Channel.

Many Britons abroad consider Radio Four a lifeline, and detest the BBC's plan of offering a new round-the-clock news service on LW. Though the change would not take effect until April 1994, a far-flung grass roots resistance campaign has already kicked off. Ad-hoc protest group representatives in France, Germany and the Beneinx countries have received thou-sands of mayry letters. Radio Four zealots have been writing to their members of Parliament and the European Parliament, as well as to and the involution of the and the second second as to newspapers and the BBC. A protest march in London has been set for April 3.

We have got 100 percent absolute support. It's as if they were taking away someone's baby," said Philip Jenkinson, an attorney in Lille who is coordinating the French effort.

The protesters are using guerilla tactics to get their message across. On Tuesday, a delegation will submit a petition to Department of National Heritage Secretary Peter Brooke. During the Heritage Secretary Peter brock. During the week of Jan. 7, they will electronically inundate, and they hope, paralyze, all of the BBC fax lines with protest messages. In February, there will be a mass mailing of cash donations on the part of the "Save Radio Four" campaign. Legally, the BBC may not accept these donations (which will be cashed before a company Davidship marks come in French francs, German Deutsche marks and other currencies) and the money may be more of a nuisance than a boon, according to Chris Garrati, 50, o manager at an American firm who has spearheaded the Belgian campaign.

The BBC has reacted caimly. The board of governors has defended the proposed change chiefly on the grounds that it is now upgrading its FM network to accommodate listeners on the Continent. They say the alternative pro-gramming will be more than just CNN-style 24hour news. The format will "offer the spine of news and current affairs programs so appreciat-ed by the Radio Four audience," as well as deeper and more far-reaching news analyses. "The range and breadth of coverage I have

been talking about cannot be done within the confines of Radio Four," explained Tony Hall, director of the BBC news and current affairs, in a recent speech.

But FM waves simply do oot make it to the Continent. The BBC has promised to offer advice to any listener facing reception problems. The frequency change will not go through until the oetwork is "satisfied that every listener's need is met by FM," said the BBC spokeswoman, Marion Greenwood. Io addition, the BBC will beam out Radio

Four signals on cable and satellite. In a letter, the French protesters retorted that "Radio Four by satellite would be a ridiculously expensive solution, except for the minority connected

BBC calm as expat fans mount letter, call, fax and march campaigns.

to cable, and would be totally unsuitable for car

reception, etc." The BBC news head of publicity, Richard Peel, himself a Radio Four fan, responded to that charge suggesting that technological break-throughs over the next 16 months may eradicate the problem. Radio Four, he said "is designed as a domestic service. We don't want to deprive [listeners abroad] of that service, but it may be

Insteners abroad of that service, but it may be that they will have to get the technology." Bullish though their tactics may be, protesters say they are acting out of love, not hate. "Radio Four is brilliant. We are saying 'please stay.' It's a positive campaign," said Karie Jordans, 42, a teacher in Bonn who is leading the movement in Germany. Though different listeners tune in for different treasons, the consensus is that there is different reasons, the consensus is that there is something in Radio Four for everyone. Its programming includes old-fashioned soap operas, dramas, call-in chat shows, an unabashedly feminist woman's hour, as well as religious services and the inimitable news from BBC.

It appeals to Anglophones and Anglophiles from all walks of life, according to Rachel Mawrhood, the U.K. protest coordinator. "A lot of people listen to it all day. Ordinary middle-class people listen to it," she said,

Those "ordinary" listeners tend to be fairly cerebral. Though Radio Four is famous for its humorous shows, it also features reading of such authors as John Milson. Leo Tolstoy and Robert Louis Stevenson. Radio Four also devotes much of its airtime to the arts, the frontiers of science and to high-caliber discussion of issues of the day ranging from the recent Euro-pean summit meeting to the royal marriage rifts to the sexual identity of angels, brought up in a recent "Woman's Hour."

Despite the broadcasting of such dramas as "The Archers," a guiding light to its many fans, and serialized thrillers, many Radio Four listeners say they are more interested in elevation than entertainment. In Paris, the American jazz musician Kent Van Schuyler. 37, said many of its shows, re-evaluate the culture of "dead white males and live white males" and quickly become "quite addictive to the searching intellect."

Much of the listener outrage at the BBC's proposal has stemmed from audience's guts, more than from their intellects. "Radio Four listeners have been listening to it most of their lives. [Io the UK] you are brought up on Radio Two, Three or Four," said Claire Oldmeadow, 30, a language school administrator in Paris. In Germany, Jordans said the hundreds of

letters she has gotten from expat comparitots are part of a "sheer emotional thing," and are marked by such words as "devastated" and "tragedy." Garratt, who has been in Belgium for years, said, "When you work abroad, you lose a lot of what you've got. People have a deep-seated need to root into their own culture."

Beertje Van Waes, a thirtysomething painter who is coordinating the Dutch group, says there simply is no alternative to Radio Four. "The British are so furny. We don't have these sort of things in Holland," she said, citing such items as "Quote, Unquote," a burnor show.

Even Americans are jumping on the band-wagon. Van Schuyler first beard the news through a British parish and reacted with "terror, sadness and anger." Though for him Radio Four is "a bit polite at times . . . it is the only comprehensive link to the Anglophone worlds outside of Paris."

Judith Sullivan is a free-lance writer based in Paris.

Paris Potpourri: From 'Dolly' to Goldoni

By Thomas Quinn Curtiss

ARIS --- There is something for everyone as Paris theaters begin a new year, Jerry Herman's "Hello, Dolly" is at the Chatelet with an American company, in English with subtitles and French

actress Nicole Croisille in the title role. The Kremin Ballet's "Cendrillon" (Cinderella) at the Palais des Congrès is good for the holidays, with its libretto by Nikolai Volkov based on Perrauh's fairy tale with a score by Prokofiev. Its star dancer, Vladimir Vassieliev, and the elebrated ballerina, Ekaterina Maximova, perform in a French-Russian production with costumes by Nina Ricci.

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At the Theatre de Paris, the French musical,

"Paul et Virginie," is based oo Bernardin de Saint-Pierre's fable. Jean-Jacques Debout, a popular singer, has done the adaptation, composed lts music and enacts the author. At the Marigny, Francis Huster continues his triumpb in "Sinte Royale."

Michel Serrault, at the Porte Saint-Martin, plays the charlatan doctor in "Knock," immortalized by Jules Romains with Jacques Morel as an authentic doctor who falls into his clutches.

Robert Lamoureux performs in a play he wrote for himself, "L'Amour Foot", as a genial small-town mayor worried by an aggressive

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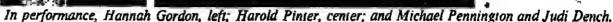
sports promoter is playing at the Antoine. Jean-Claude Carrière's "L'Aide-Mémoire" has been revived at the Comédie des Champs Elysões with Fanny Ardant and Bernard Giran-

Sacha Guitry's early farce, "La Jalousie" is at the Bouffes-Parisiens with Jean-Claude Briały doing the Guitry part of the husband who unintentionally drives his wife to adultery.

Jacques Villeret is again in his one-man vehi-cle "La Contrebasse" at the Gaité-Montpar-

"Edwige Feuillère en Scène" at the Madeleine is a farewell to the theater by one of the great ladies of the Paris stage and screen.

The Comédie Française is offering Goldoni's "La Serva Amorosa" (The Devoted Servant) staged by Jacques Lassalle. There is still time to catch Vittorio Gassman at the Theatre des Champs-Elystes with his dramatization of Melville's "Moby Dick," called "Ulysse et La Baleine Blanche." His adaptation runs through Dec. 31.



Against the Odds, a Strong Year

By Sheridan Morley International Berald Tribune

to mention Paul Scofield's ancient-mariner in the Haymarket's "Heartbreak House" with

England: "The captain is in his bunk drink-

ing bottled ditch water; the crew is gambling

in the forecastle. She will strike and sink and split. Do you think the laws of god, Sir, will

orchestra in a pit.

going blazingly over the top in Shaffer's his-trionic "Gifts of the Gorgon"; Stockard Channing confirming her New York reputa-tion in the drama-documentary "Six Degrees of Separation"; Sheils Hancock dismember-ion an entire familie in the hereit hereit. ONDON - Against all the eco-nomic odds, 1992 was a remarkably strong year except perhaps for ma-jor new British drama. Elsewhere, consider: On the musical froot we got both Sondheim's "Assassins" and Kander-Ebb's "Kiss of the Spider Woman" from over the Atlantic, both breathtaking examples of how the barriers of music theater are still being pushed forward to accommodate themes (in

ing an entire family in the haunting, shame-fully ignored "Judgement in Stone."

ed John Osborne's return to us and "Look Back in Anger" with the impossibly verbose and underenergized "Deja Vu" and "Moby Dick," which suffered the fatal flaw of having the cast enjoy it more than the audience. Also disappointing were the appalling pretentious-ness of Sharman Macdonald's "Shades" and Dusty Hughes's "A Slip of the Tongue," in which John Malkovich gave one of the worst

In a thin time for oew plays about the way we live oow, Tony Kushner's "Angels in America," Timberlake Wertenbaker's superbly scabrous "Three Birds Alighting on as Field," and the premier of Doug Lucie's wonderful attack on American evaogelism, "Grace," gave us some hope of contemporary chronic

his ever-topical speech about England, our In a rich time for revivals, Alan Strachan's "Hay Fever" and his joyous unearthing of the Kaufman/Lardner "June Moon" warmed some chilly nights. The all-star "Trelawny of the Wells" at the Comedy was a depressing clash of acting styles, and the Robert Lindsay be suspended in favor of this country simply because you were born in it?" Then again we had Peter O'Toole, as al-ways giving one of his major performances in minor material, beartbreakingly beartbroken in Keith Waterhouse's "Our Song"; Jane Horrock's finding her own voice in "The Rise Cyrano" at the Haymarket was woefully undercast in important supporting roles. As against these however, the Peter Hall "Ideal Husband" at the Globe with Hannah Gordon was a vintage classical delight. Back at the Barbican the American playwright Richard

and Fall of Little Voice"; the Eddington-Pinter double in the latter's "No Man's Land": Michael Pennington and Judi Dencb ma that was vastly better than of this year's three movies on the same subject.

In terms of real estate, both the Donmar Warehouse in Covent Garden and the Criterion on Piccadilly Circus came back after two-year refits, the former with an apparent policy of importing hits from elsewhere (the Sondheim "Assassins" and the RSC "Rich-ard III") and the latter haviog already re-neged on a "best of the Fringe" policy with a December staging of Stepheo King's movie "Mirane" Misery.

Talking of the Fringe, all praise to the Orange Tree in Richmond for bringing back John Whiting's "Penny for a Song" and Rod-ney Ackland's "Dark River," and to the King's Head in Islington for that most touch-ing of AIDS cabarets, "Elegies for Angels. Punks and Ragiog Queens.

The Issue of the year, though it bas yet to achieve much debate, may well turn out to be that of repertoire. Is it or is it oot the duty of the National and the RSC to give us a different show on each of their stages each night?

There is nothing in their charters to indicate that, but it has been custom and practice for more than 20 years. This winter however, the sheer size of the "Carousel" staging at the National means an uobroken eight-shows-aweek schedule at the Lyticiton, while Kenoeth Branagh's understandable reluctance to sign the usually mandatory two-year RSC contract means that his "Hamlet" performances at Straiford will have to be crowded into a short unbroken season on the main stage there. Is this simply a sensible acknowledgement of new economic and contractual realities for the 1990s, or does it represent a major breaking of at least on plank in the platforms which distinguish the RSC and the ational from the commercial theater?

1 am oot sure that I have the answer to this: what I do know is that I would like to have the question more openly debated.

Major disappointments of the year includ-LONDON THEATER

these cases the killing of American presidents and a homosexual love affair in a South American jail) hitherto thought inimical to an Trevor Nunn's "Porgy and Bess" after only six years, managed to make the short journey

performances of the year and his career. Alan Howard's superbly detached Professor Higgins in the National's "Pygmalion." Not

in Pakistan

from Glyndebourne to the Royal Opera House. At the end of the year came Nick Hytner's wondrous rediscovery of "Carou-sel" as a dark, suicidal but musically joyous drama of New England revenge and rebirth. Performances of the year? Again we were

spoiled for choice: There was the McKel-len/Sher double in "Uocle Vanya," Simon Russel Beale's toadlike "Richard III" and

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OPINION

Herald Eribune.

Stand Firm on Iraq

Baghdad, not Washington, provoked Sunday's aerial clash over southern Iraq, by sending warplanes into a no-flight zone. U.S. pilots responded admirably, showing resolve but also prudence. The first pair of Iraqi MiGs was turned back peacefully. One of a second pair was downed after turning to confront American planes.

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American resolve will be tested again and again in coming months. Saddam Hussein still prefers confrontation to compliance. and disregards the cost of his posturing to Iraq and its suffering people.

The no-flight zone, once declared, needs to be strictly enforced. But the incoming Clinton administration may also be able to encourage a change of attitude in Baghdad hy spelling out the terms that Iraq must meet before the United Nations will end economic and military sanctions. That will require Iraq's full compliance with all relevant UN resolutions. No more. No less.

Such a declaration would instantly clarify what the Iraqi dictator seeks to obscure. This is no personal showdown with Saddam Hussein. The United Nations has taken a principled stand for international law as embodied in Security Council reso-

lutions against dangerous Iraqi policies. fraq's continuing interference with UN arms inspectors and its defiance of attempts to mark out a new international border with Kuwait are even more serious than its provocations in restricted southern airspace. These policies threaten international peace and violate the cease-fire resolution that ended the Gulf War.

The han on flights over southern fraq. by cootrast, was never directly aothorized hy the Security Council. Washington London and Paris imposed it, hased on a strained interpretation of a resolution designed to protect the Kurds. The ban is also a response to Saddam Hussein's harassment of arms inspectors. ft is arguably unwise - because it risks de facto partition of frag and invites Iranian adventurism - but it is hardly unjustified.

President-elect Bill Clinton is right to signal that his administration will stand firm on Iraq. It is also important to state the goal of such firmness: Baghdad's return to the community of law-abiding states through compliance with United Nations resolutions.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Israel With the PLO

Lebanon and Israel are conducting a lest of wills over the 400-odd Palestinians Israel expelled on Dec. 17 through the slice of territory in south Lebanon that it runs and regards as its "security zone." The Israelis meant for the south Lebanon 400. Islamic fundamentalists accused of association with terrorists hut not of any specific crime, to pass through to Lebanon proper. But the Lebanese government, to prevent new stress on its fragile internal order, refuses them entry and provision of relief. So does Israel. Meanwhile, Lebanon sees to it that the world's cameras keep alive this perverse story of competitive hard-heartedness.

In public relations terms, it is an unequal battle. An Arab society that has let hundreds of thousands of Palestinians sit in miserable camps for decades, that barely hlinked at Kuwair's ouster of hundreds of thousands more, is not likely to feel much urgency to rescue a new 400. But on their part the Israelis are under two sorts of pressure. A negative sort emanates from the United Nations, whose long history of one-sided strictures is hard for Israelis to put aside. A positive sort comes from Israel's political society, which shows acute discomfort over the Israeli part in the ordeal of the 400. It would fit a deep-rooted Israeli humanitarian tradition to let relief flow into south Lebaonn. Then Israel could quickly deliver on its pledge to allow the new refugees to appeal in military courts what is, officials insist, not

expulsion but a two-year banishment. The plight of these refugees is a distraction from the central issue - peace. The fundamentalists had a purpose in mind when they organized the murders that provoked Israeli retaliation: to undermine the Arab-Israeli peace talks. Unlike PLO Palestinians, who mostly accept Israel and sup-port the talks, fundamentalist Palestinians reject the talks for a program of replacing the Jewish state with an Islamic state. The former Israeli government tended to see Hamas and Islamie Jihad as elements that could hem in the PLO. The new Israeli government is open to a politically palat-able way to holster the PLO to hem in Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

Israeli politics make this a hard result to come to. But the whole nasty incident of the murders and the banishments could take on a new aspect if it united Israelis and PLO Palestinians at least tacitly against their common foe, the Islamle extremists, and made them ready to negotiate seriously with each other. -THE WASHINGTON POST.

The Pardons Case Fails

Surely, reasonable people have said to themselves in the days since George Bush shocked America with his Iran-contra pardons - surely the president must have had good reasons. Surely he would not wish to live forever in history as the president who in effect pardoned himself. Surely he must have some plausible arguments for exonerating Caspar Weinberger even before his trial, and other officials after theirs.

wrong as it was to disobey both laws, it was more clearly wrong for the president's men to lie to Congress. In this system of checks and balances, true patriots in one branch do not snicker and hide the truth from another. A third argument made for the pardons is that they are required to offset the howing zeal of Lawrence Walsh, the independent

counsel, and his out-of-control staff. Indeed. Mr. Weinberger charges them with trying to extort from him lies against two presidents

If You Want to Help, Volunteer

WASHINGTON - To supporters, Somalia-style humanitarian military interventions present a cut-and-dried choice between morality and callousness. Using American military power where necessary to alleviate suffering abroad, they say, honors America's noblest traditions. Although standing aside may be prudent, it is also shameful.

If only the ethics of the post-Cold War world were so simple. At the least, these potentially dangerous, costly and divisive operations raise sharp questions about just what foreign-policy demands democratic governments may place on their citizens at a time when serious threats, as opposed to outrages, are hard to find. Much of the moralizing about So-malia seems more like rank hypocri-

sy, with political and opinion leaders boldly championing actions whose cost and risks will be borne by others. By what right --- moral or political

- can the president or Congress make the decision to send American troops to alleviate suffering in dangerous situations in which they -- the politicians — readily admit that there are no strategic stakes involved? As citizens of a republic, we

Americans authorize our elected leaders to take all sorts of actions, including those that impose sacrifice and hardship, to advance or defend the common good. But we grant this anthority because it is an American good that is advanced or defended because the majority of members of the political community to which we belong will supposedly benefit.

Do we really want to give our leaders unlimited authority to impose such sacrifices and hardship exclusively or primarily on behalf of others? Even in a republic, with all the leeway that it gives to our lead-

By Alan Tonelson

ers, do we truly believe that winning an election entitles a president or even the entire Congress to life-anddeath power over their countrymen when nothing more than these leaders' personal beliefs are at stake?

What is especially striking about Somalia — as well as the Balkans and other such controversies - is that few have bothered to find out what the public thinks. Broad public support is widely assumed, but it is based largely on the argument that if the story is being covered extensively on the network news, Americans must be clamoring for action. Even the after-the-fact polls thus far. which show strong backing for the Somalia intervention, should not obscure this critical truth: There has been no spontaneous ground swell

of support for purely or largely humanitarian interventions. Interventionists might respond that post-Cold War interventions will cost few American lives. But where moral conditions are governing, such calculations count for little. The question we need at least to consider is: On what basis can even one American life justly be put at risk? The sheltered position of most modern American interventionists

also complicates the morality of humanitarian military interventions. How many interventionist congress-men or editorial writers between the ages of 18 and 45 will lose their lives in Bosnia or Somalia? More reasonably, how many have children, other relatives or even friends who will be at risk? Obviously, very few.

American political and opinion leaders overwhelmingly come from privileged social classes whose memmanitarian military operations are

bers almost never enter the military anymore (unlike in the World War II and Korean War eras) and rarely encounter active servicemen or younger veterans in their daily lives. It is the working class that provides most of America's cannon fodder.

As the recent presidential campaign made clear, many of these leaders did not serve in the military even when they were eligible. There is something unseemly about politi-cians launching moral crusades and pundits cheering them on, knowing that they and their loved ones will remain safely on the sidelines.

Analogous moral questions surround the economic costs of such interventions. Few Americans would begrudge their leaders great leeway to spend tax dollars on actions to fend off clear military or economic threats, even if on such threats were expected when they voted for these leaders. But authorizing such ontlays for purely humanitarian interven-tions turns delegation into license.

The expenditures might be justified morally if the majority of Americans clearly approved of the inter-vention. But morality requires one proviso: Expenses must be paid for in the here and now. Unless tax increases or offsetting domestic-spending cuts permit these operations to be financed out of current revenues, they simply widen the deficit and increase the costs to future generations who have on say in these deci-sions. Yet few advocates of humanitatian interventions are proposing such tax increases or spending cuts. Nor have supporters of these toter-ventions explained how such expenditures can be contemplated when so much suffering remains at home. Even if the economic costs of hu-

kent low, every dollar spent on these actions is a dollar that cannot be used to feed and shelter the homeless or treat crack babies in America.

Alternatively, given limits on re-sources, there is onthing immoral about feeling greater obligations toward one's countrymen than toward foreigners. Considerations of pru-dence can also reinforce the legitimacy of a domestie focus. Arguably. Americans can do more to end suf-

They also can take advantage of conditions conducive to the success of good works that are almost completely lacking in most foreign trou-ble spots --- considerable social and

fering at home than abroad.

ty Council, after consultation with the secretarygeneral and the operation's commander, is satis-fied that the security environment allows the start of a gradual withdrawal. (The secretary-general, reporting to the Security Council, has stated a firm belief that the U.S.-led force should disarm the gangs in the entire country. The warlords, seeming-ly reconciled, now agree to have the gangs disanned, but they remain silent about hidden stores.) What then? Traditional UN peacekeepers could

not be expected to cope. The secretary-general envisages UN peace-enforcement troops — a new type of force recommended by him to the Security Council last June 17 - under his command and with the necessary weapons and rules of engage-ment. He admits that this is a "daunting prospect." Perhaps the original Resolution 794 of Dec. 3 authorizing the present operation should remain in force as an extra precaution.

Whatever may be the hidden agenda of this or that political leader, the primary motivation of Operation Restore Hope is moral. The opera-tion's success would be a historic affirmation of manitarian law and the fundamental right 10 life. That can only be good for us all.

The writer, a retired principal officer in the UN Secretariat and a senior fellow of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

political cohesion; a broadly representative, reasonably competent and

honest government; a firmly established rule of law: strong protection for individual liberties. Finally, what version of morality permits us to stop with Somalia, or any of the disaster areas in the head-

lines? Starvation, malnutrition, disease, eivil conflicts and other scourges affect hundreds of millions in the developing world. The real reason why Somalia and

the Balkans have monopolized the attention of Americans is that they provide gripping visuals for TV newscasts. But a truly moralistic foreign policy cannot be media-driven. Ultimately, the interventionists' morality rests on an unacceptably statist view of governance in a democracy. Between elections, they seem to believe, the state can spend the lives and resources of its citizens on whatever foreign cause it wishes, until and unless the public raises an

overwhelming fuss. Of course, nothing could be fur-ther from our most important political and moral traditions. Our lives and resources are our own. Absent clear and compelling national securi-ty reasons, the state may commandeer them only with our explicit consent. Unless the people tell them in no uncertain terms that they favor purely humanitarian military interventions, leaders should stick to the principal foreign-policy responsibil-ities they were elected to carry out —

safeguarding our security, our iode-pendence and our prosperity. And if they and other interven-tionists feel so strongly about our morel obligations to Servelia Ber moral ohligations to Somalia, Besnia and other trouble spots, they can join a relief organization and go over there themselves.

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ing off their government contacts as they have in the past, while prosecu-

tors turn their guns against political enemies, including Hyundai execu-tives who provided funds for Mr.

The show of democratic reform

Chung's election campaign.

The Somalia Operation Is a Good Step for Us All

D UBLIN — The operation put together in haste and unusual manimity by the United States, the secretary-general of the United Nations and the Security Council is a positive event

of considerable consequence. If successful in terms of the number of lives ---especially young lives — saved, it could be the prototype for a new category of UN action. Call it the humanitarian aid enforcement mission, strong enough to deal promptly with a major man-made disaster in an insecure or even chaotic situation.

Replication of a model is impossible, since each crisis is unique, but some general remarks

suggest themselves. The policy of the U.S. command to avoid confrontation and to display a range of weaponry that includes naval units and helicopters is in line with the UN Charter's concept of "demonstra-tion" — that is, nonactive use of force — and with the present mission's humanitarian voca-tion. The choice was vindicated by the evident sobering, dissuasive effect during the critical landing phase. The use of minimal force is right. But any aggressive acts against the troops, UN personnel or aid workers should be put down mediately by stern measures.

The abundance of mine fields causes concern; they have already claimed victims. This is unacceptable. The warlords probably know more than anyone else about where mines are located. They

By Evgeny Chossudovsky

should arrange for their men to guide and escort food convoys as a matter of course.

From the outset, military personnel need to protect, consult and cooperate closely with aid volunteers and the representatives of UN-related agencies. This helps to speed up the channeling and distribution of food to the neediest.

The operation should adhere strictly to its manitarian brief. Any political negotiations on the future of Somalia that may be envisaged by individual states should be deferred until the bulk of the operation is completed. (Ambassador Rob-ert B. Oakley has stated that the United States is "not going to get into" drafting "the possible political architecture of Somalia.") It is not inconceivable that in due course the

United Nations will be given the assignment to pave the way for formation of the new, viable and freer Somali statehood for which the people long. The present operation is of course not open-

ended. But to overcome a famine of such size and enable people to start producing their food again will take many months. No deadline can or should be set in advance. Haste would send the wrong signals. The gunmen and feuding clansmen are waiting to the wings. The combined force should stay until the Securi-

By Donald Kirk

There are justifications: some even sound plausible; yet on inspection, they fail. The arguments are lame, even misleading, and in the end the pardons reverbcrate with the clank of outrage.

Mr. Bush and others advance four justifications for the pardons. Sophisticated students of international affairs offer one, sotto voce: There are times when senior officials simply have to take chances, cut corners, violate the technical letter of the law, even if that horrifies fussy purists. That argument answers itself: The laws here were violated both in letter and spirit,

Mr. Bush does not make that argument, even though he may believe it. Instead be describes the pardons as honorable, decent and fair because the defendants were patriotic, long-suffering public servants who sought on financial gain. Their actions, he says -"right or wrong" - were chiefly policy dif-ferences mischaracterized as crimes.

That contention is mistaken or irrelevant. Iran-contra involved much more than a policy dispute. Congress outlawed weapons sales to terrorist countries; indeed, the Reagan administration had identified itself with that policy, and against hostage ran-som. Congress also prohibited aid to the contras, and the White House said it was complying in letter and spirit. And as

That charge, like other vituperations against Mr. Walsh, ignores his record. He was deputy attorney general in the Eisenhower administration, a Nixon envoy to Vietnam peace talks and for years a capable federal judge. He is no less a Republican patriot because he feels a duty to investigate perjury in high places. What of Mr. Weinberger's accusation that

Mr. Walsh tried to "coerce false testimony" against colleagues in exchange for a misde-meanor plea? Mr. Weinberger's own notes, which be concealed for three years, show that what Mr. Walsh was after from the former defense secretary is his true testimony. A trial, which the pardon aborted, might have settled his veracity and the prosecutor's legitimacy. The president's own long-withheld notes may now shed more light, but the record is fairly clear: George Bush was in the loop of informed officials.

The final rationale is Mr. Bush's contention that, after six years, it is time to get Irancontra behind us and get on with current business. It is a worthy wish, but pardons are an unworthy way of sweeping suspected sub-version of law under an already humpy rug. One day and one way, the truth will out; these pardons can only prolong the wait. -THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

Clinton and Trade With Asia

While Bill Clinton has chosen competent musicians to fill key posts, be has reserved for himself the roles of composer and conductor. In other words, the new president intends to be a hands-on chief executive controlling the levers of policy-making from the Oval Office. This strategy has obvious advantages but potential pitfalls, too,

Nowhere is Mr. Clinton's presidential style more evident than in his appointment of Michael Cantor as U.S. trade representative, a position viewed with anxiety in Asia. Mr. Cantor appears to have little experience in international trade matters and many have reservations about how be will handle the task of taming the protectionist tendencies of policymakers in leading economies, While Fast Asian nations will not be hasty in jump-

ing to conclusions, their biggest fear is whether Mr. Cantor will adopt the same crowbar tactics his predecessor adopted inking trade with all manner of other issues. from copyright protection to labor rights. America's position on China will perhaps be a liturus test. Mr. Clinton appears to favor

a harder line on China and, as an activist president, is likely to devote time and attention to this thorny issue, Whether that activism will extend to exporting American ideals to a changing world will be something that other nations will be waiting to see.

- Business Times (Singapore).

China must be encouraged to be a source of world stability, not instability. This will require adroit diplomacy, not partisan dema-gogy on Mr. Clinton's part.

-The Baltimore Sun.

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In South Korea, One Election Doesn't Erase Authoritarianism

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Koreans can send representatives

to a national assembly in Scoul and, watch them on television debating

abstruse legislation of only remote

relevance to their daily lives. At the

same time, they have to submit, in their home districts, to the leadership

of officials appointed by central gov-erament ministries. A succession of governments has

procrastinated over holding local

elections. The main excuse has been

national security, the need for unity

against the Communist North. A

all at the grass roots.

SEOUL - There is a contradiction in South Korea's seeming swing

by merging his own party with that of Mr. Rob in 1990 for the sole purpose to democracy in the recent presidential election. The voters gnt a chance to bring about change but elected a of becoming president, now has to repay debts, not to the zealots who once viewed him as the hope for a man who represents the status quo.

The fact that Kim Young Sam is a civilian — the first nonmilitary person to hold the job since Park Chung Hee democratic Korea but to an assortment of establishment types, military scized power more than 30 years ago — may be only a technicality. The one-time opposition critic, Mr. Kim will take power in February with the and civilian, and their cronics. can rule at all, or whether he will be just a front man for more powerful figures setting policy in his name. There will be a couple of crucial backing of many of the same people who have supported the regimes of the outgoing president, Roh Tae Won, and his predecessor, Chun Doo Hwan. tests of South Korea's progress toward democracy in the next few months. Election observers may hail the The most important is probably the counting as more or less free of fraud, but the exercise in democracy remains cials at the level of province, city and

a veneer masking an antocratic sys-tem. Mr. Kim, having compromised

WASHINGTON — Bill Clinton intends to govern as he cam-paigned: from the center. He has

shaped his cabinet into a wheel with

the spokes leading back to himself as the decision-making hab. The president-elect has adopted a more ambitious task than it seemed

at first glance to the media and

Washington experts. His cabinet choices show that he is aiming for a

mix of ideas and views from which he

can synthesize, rather than just pick,

described as overly cautious, lacking

big-idea figures and heavy on Carter-

ite retreads. That analysis misses the

The misreading assumes that presi-dential policy-making is primarily a bilateral process; Mr. Cinton would

need to name and work with a strong

and innovative secretary of state or national security adviser to have a

strong and innovative foreign policy. The model is Nixon-Kissinger or

Bush-Baker. The anti-model is what

happened to Jimmy Carter, a laser-

beam man who worked one-on-one

with most of his cabinet secretaries.

But President Carter never developed

unoualified confidence in either his

secretary of state or his national secu-

tives tend to be comfortable with hi-

erarchical decision-making in which

the argument of one aide or group is

chosen over a contending argument

that, after its defeat, is promptly and

But during the campaign, and ear-lier in governing Arkansas, Mr. Clin-ton demonstrated a concern with and

wholly discredited.

point about the Clinton approach.

His foreign policy team is being

his administration's policies.

more likely explanation, though, is the lear of power-hungry ministries of any challenge to their authority. village. Amid the praise for the presi-dential balloting, it is easy to forget Another clue to South Korea's pro-See, Clinton Is Reinventing the Wheel

institution of elections for local offi-

The question is whether Mr. Kim

By Jim Hoagland

gether of separate elements or substances to form a coherent whole. It is a style more familiar in European governance and intellectual life.

Focusing only on the Clinton-Christopher-Lake axis does not give an accurate picture of what Clinton foreign policy is likely to become. Both Warren Christopher and Anthony Lake, designated respectively as secretary of state and national security adviser, are trusted by Mr. Clinton. But, as the first president since John F. Kennedy who may be deeply involved in the choice of midlevel officials at the State Department, Mr. Clinton will seek ideas from people, not positions.

The wheel concept is visible in the social policy area of the cabinet by the seemingly haphazard placement of some key figures. Robert Reich was a natural choice for a number of other jobs but not obvious for Labor. The same is true for Ron Brown at Commerce. Being at the table, it seems, is

more important in Mr. Clinton's approach than exactly where you sit. By the same token, the frontline foreign policy team is being underestimated in the vision and big-ideas de-partment because the team is being rity adviser. He paid the price in confusion and inconsistency. American politicians and executoo narrowly defined. By putting Les Aspin at Defense and Jim Woolsey at

the Central Intelligence Agency, after having established the new national economic council at the White House, Mr. Clinton is extending the perimeter of foreign policy-making. Mr. Woolsey's recent think-tank work on international peacekeeping

puts him ahead of the curve on a cutting-edge issue for the Clinton adflair for synthesis - the pulling to- ministration. He knows a big picture

when he sees it. Mr. Aspin, the only head of the House Anned Services Committee who ever earned a doctorate in economics (at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology) is a strategic thinker, as his role in Operation Desert Storm showed.

Going against the Vietnam-burned ional leadership of his party, CONGRESS congressional teacersmp of his party, Mr. Aspin quickly saw and argued that force would have to be used against Saddam Hussein. His Jan. 8, 1991, report that correctly spelled out the lengthy bombing campaign and the quick ground strike into Kuwait, with the probability of low U.S. casualties, was influential in getting congressional approval for Desert Storm. Under his leadership over the past decade, the House Armed Services Committee had pushed, over Pentagon opposition, for upgrading U.S. mechanized and armored forces. Mr. Aspin also insisted on expanding the sea-lift and other combat support services that pulled off logistical mir-acles in the Gulf.

The Wisconsin Democrat was an early driving force behind congressional efforts to rechannel Defense Department funds into programs that would help demilitarize the former Soviet Union. Later, his criticisms of the Joint Chiefs of Staff doctrine of Invincible Force, which posed an "all or nothing" choice for Mr. Bush in ex-Yugoslavia and elsewhere, formed a leitmotiv of the Clinton campaign.

Mr. Clinton has traced a wide arc on his policy wheel, running from the boldness and advocacy of Mr. Aspin to the caution and mediating abilities of Mr. Christopher. It is now the president-elect's task, as he surely intended, to make sure that the whole turns out to be greater than the sum of its parts. The Washington Post.

gress toward democracy will be the trations or in redistributing wealth government's policy on the chaebol. or A more likely outcome is that the ruling establishment will hem and haw behind a smoke screen of policy conglomerates, that dominate the economy. There has been a general recognition, at least since President pronouncements. Changes will be tortuously slow and lose real meaning. Park's assassination in 1979, of the need to crack the monopolies that have once they happen. The campaign against the chaebol is likely to turn flourished, in Confucian tradition, uninto a game of personal vengeance, with titans of business routinely pay-

der the acgis of family patriarchs. Ironically, one of the most intrigu-ing candidates in the recent presidential election, Chung Ja Yung, founder of Hyundai, the largest of the chaebol, pledged during his campaign to break up the group and give small and medium-sized industry the encouragement urgently needed to increase both competition and opportunity.

does not necessarily mean that "the Mr. Chung's protestations were doubtless campaign thetoric by a man more things change, the more they stay the same." One difference between now and a few years ago is who has divided up his fortune and his companies among his sons. Hyundai may some day divide and multiply absence of the fiery dissent that often made the headlines in the era of prointo a number of lesser chaebol, one test against military rule. It is as if the dissidents, the campus bomb-throwfor each son. But a thicket of financial arrangements will ensure that the ers, the clerical critics and radicals are changes are strictly cosmetic. The government of President Roh waiting to see what will happen next. The presidential election revealed

a public yearning for more freedom than was permissible before Mr. Roh acted spasmodically to curb the chaebol by limiting credit and forcing some of them to sell off real estate. The put through limited democratic re-forms in 1987. But South Koreans do effect has been minimal, at least io giving competitors a chance. Now the question is whether Mr. Kim can do not have illusions about their country's status as a genuine democracy. anything more effective to provide in-Foreigners observing the "clean" pres-idential poll should not delude themcentives for small and medium-sized selves into thinking that a tradition-bound, class-conscious society has business. A diffusion of wealth would foster the sense of egalitarianism needed in any democracy.

shed the mantle of anthoritarian rule. But there is little sign that the govemment wants to change much, e-ther in organizing local elections that produce antonomous local adminis-The writer, who is preparing a book about Korean business, contributed this to the International Herald Tribune.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Save the Turtle

LONDON - The Standard says: Even should Ascension fail us as a source of turtle supply there need be no misgivings as to the future of turtic soup, for, though the draughts on the West Indies and Shores of South America are enormous, there is not as yet any sign to the supply being un-equal to the demand. The terrapin, it is true, bids fair to banish unless a close time is rigorously enforced. A remedy can be easily found be simply preventing the collection of eggs.

1917: Raid on Padna

NORTHERN ITALY - The enemy made a serious air raid last night [Dec. 28], his fleet flying over the city of Padua and dropping bombs, many of which fell to the central squares, near the hotels and chubs and churches, killing thirteen persons and wounding sixty, mostly women and children. The raiders showed unusual barbarism and per-

sonal bitterness. A bright moonlight favored the raid, the flyers moving over a wide area, which embraces the feading cities of Treviso, Montebeliuna, Castelfranco and Padua.

1942: Russians Advance

MOSCOW - [From our New York edition:] Russian troops have captured Kotelnikovski, ninety miles southwest of Stalingrad, in the onrushing effort to reach Rostov, on the sea of Azov, and trap a million-man German army stalled in the Caucasus and before Stalingrad. A Soviet communique announced: "Many trophies were captored, among which were seventeen planes and a convoy of tanks," and that the Rossians had killed 3,560 Germans and captured 470 yesterday [Dec. 29] on the middle Don and Stalingrad fronts. It was a blow to the Nazi hope of rescuing twenty-two divisions between the Don and Volga Rivers. One goal of the Russian win-ter strategy thus has been achieved.

OPINION

This Torture Can Be Stopped

N EW YORK - "They are hy Musian women. They wear no veils, often don sleeveless dresses and behave directly toward men, rather than submissively.

will almost all women undergo genital mutilation at a young age to discourage sexual intercourse outside marriage. This ritual clitoridectomy, the removal of the chitoris, greatly reduces a woman's sexual pleasure and is sometimes combined with infibulation, stitching up the vulva until marriage to prevent penetration. This often results in pain, infec-

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tion and repeated stitching and re-stitching during childbearing years."

Donaiella Lorch of The New York Times wrote that in a dispatch from Mogadishu about Somali women. Those words jolted me, not because I did not know that genital mutilation was committed on women and girls in Africa and the Middle East but because I did know.

For almost a year I had been planning to write a column about it but kept putting it aside in favor of something that struck my fancy as more "newsworthy" or "important" than the genital mutilation of tens of millions of people in dozens of countries. That is exactly what most of the

world has been doing about the most widespread abuse of human rights and the human body in the world. Governments, most journalists, international bodies, civil rights organizations, women's groups, all of them know and of course care - but just not enough to actually do anything. Female genital mutilation has scores of millions of living victims,

perhaps 80 million. It ranges from common to universal in about 20 African countries, in several Middle Eastern nations and in parts of By A. M. Rosenthal international work against female

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support groups that don't forget the

women in agony. For information, contact the Women's Rights Project of Human Rights Watch, 485 Fifth

Avenue, New York, NY 10017, or

the Minority Rights Group, 237

Brixton Road, London. Get on the

back of your church, synagogue, mosque - or any group for which

The New York Times.

you have any hope, any respect.

Indonesia, Malaysia and the Indiaonly glancingly acknowledged by government information machin-Pakistan subcontinent. Most of its victims are Muslims. eries, and journalism. But it is also committed by Chris-It is the responsibility of the peo-

tians and animists, and there are ple and governments of the Afri-can, Mideastern and Asian counreports that it was known among some Ethiopian Jews. tries to end the forture, to revolt In a few countries the number of against the sexual and social insanmutilations may be slowly decreasities that allow the mutilation of

ing. But because Africa's populahalf their populations. tion is increasing, so is the total But the world can help. Western number of female mutilations. countries can use economic aid -Why cut out a woman's chitoris, expand or contract it depending cut off her labia and sew her vulva?

on whether governments truly Why, to make her marriageable fight female mutilation. And they meaning virgin and without plea-sure in sex, thus nonthreatening. The Minority Rights Group Incan make it a permanent priority matter in the main bodies of the United Nations. ternational, hased in London, lists Individuals can search out and

some other effects of mutilations. Sbort-term: tetanus, septicemia, hemorrhages, cuts in the urethra, bladder, vaginal walls and anal sphincter.

Long-term: chronic uteral and vaginal infection, massive scar formation that can obstruct walking for life, creation of large cysts, fistula formation, incontinence, extremely painful intercourse and menstruation, vulval abscesses

sterility, susceptibility to AIDS, deaths under the knife. The knife. Mutilations are carried out by female operators working with unsterilized knives. and without anesthetic. Victims are ued or beld down by relatives. Modern science: Last year, a United Nations seminar reported that some doctors were making themselves and their clinics available, for the right price.

Yes, there have been seminars and recommendations and some African countries bave passed laws - rarely enforced - against genital mutilation. But national and

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Is Hong Kong Served?

toward a new world order," one "which would be not only mechani-Britsin and China have a deal, cally productive but spiritually pathe Joint Declaration, that clearly sets out the conditions of China's to-order world language" called Estakeover of the territory in 1997. Governor Chris Patten found a loophole in it that he wants to tion." And it was thought that "the exploit. The Chinese have every great civilized powers must already right to be offended and are correct when they say the "spirit" of the agreement has been breached.

It seems Mr. Patten likes to be seen talking oh-so-precisely and never losing his cool while he fights for democracy. He is certainly getting a lot more personal recognition in Britain and internationally than he could ever have dreamed of. But as Britain's former China. policy chief, Sir Percy Craddock. recently warned, "It might allow us to strike a heroic pose in Britain." but failure to cooperate with China

will hurt Hong Kong severely. As a small business owner here, I believe the sooner Mr. Patten is replaced, the better for Hong Kong.

resort to war among themselves." We all know what happened next: two world wars of devastating consequences we, individually, are fortunate enough to foster optimism and attempt order, so be it. But world leaders must not continue

to let dreams and schemes obstruct. their view of reality. Our modern world has persistently gorged itself on ideological schemes and bogus new world orders. JEAN AFTEN. Montresor, France

cific." There was talk of a "made-

peranto. There were many "ripening fruits of international coopera-

be too intelligent and too humane to

In "Humanitarian Intervention Has Its Hazards" (Opinion, Dec. 14), Henry Kissinger asserts that "moral purpose has been an inte gral part of the motivation of every American war in this century," but cautions that in Vietnam "American military effectiveness was re-duced by domestic and international inhibitions." The Machiavellian realpolitiker worries about a sudden U.S. sense of morality obscuring "political re-alities" in Somalia, Can Mr. Kissinger really have forgotten that U.S. foreign policy has always had its sights set clearly and firmly on U.S. economic and political interests? We need not deceive ourselves," said George Kennan in 1947, "that we can afford the luxury of altruism and world benefaction." This statement of foreign policy is still a cornerstone of the "political reality" of Mr. Kissinger and the United States. JOHN F. OTRANTO.

Children Need to Hear That Sex Is for Grown-Ups mutilation has been late, sporadic N EW YORK - Could it be that teen-age sex is not inevitable? Is it possible and poorly funded. The crime is

to make a liberal, feminist argument for pushing abstinence in the schools? I believe it is. The argument goes like this: Sex education doesn't work. There are lots of nice things to be said

for sex education. It makes kids more knowledgeable, more tolerant and maybe even more skillful lovers. But it does not make them more responsible.

American supporters of sex education

MEANWHILE

point to studies showing that educated teenagers are slightly more likely to use birth control. Opponents point to studies that show that they are slightly more likely to have sex at a younger age. No one points to the many studies that compare the pregnancy rates of the educated and the ignorant: depressingly similar. Even if sex education worked, birth con-

trol doesn't. At least it doesn't work often enough. The Alan Guttmacher Institute, a research organization that specializes in reproductive health, estimates that up to 36 percent of women in their early 20s will get pregnant while relying on male use of con-

By Ellen Hopkins

doms in the first year: and with the suppos-edly foolproof pill, up to 18 percent of

who does what she is statistically likely to do. Her options are bleak. If she wants an abortion, good luck to her if she is poor. under 18 or does oot live near a big city. The simplest abortion costs about \$300. Only 12

U.S. states have no laws requiring parental consent or notification for minors seeking an abortion. And 83 percent of America's counties do not have an abortion provider. What if our teenager chose to have the baby and give is up for adoption? Surrendering the flesh of your flesh is wrenching. Suppose our teenager keeps the haby.

being exposed to HIV? Even if she does Eighth graders are taught by peer counselors not get pregnant and none of her boyfnends is HIV positive, she still puts herupper grades, kids who look as if they could self at substantial risk for later infertility. have sex if they wanted it. Their message is More than 12 million episodes of sexusimple: Sex is for grown-ups. ally transmitted diseases occur each year Weirdly, it works. By the end of eighth in the United States and two-thirds of those afflicted are under age 25. Most

grade, girls who were not in the program were as much as 15 times more likely to have begun having sex than those who were. I feel strange writing this. Then I remem-

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ber my first heady experimentations (at a relatively geriatric age) and contrast them with those of a 16-year-old girl who recently visited Planned Parenthood in Westchester County. Three boys were with her, their relationship to her unclear. On the admittance form, the girl wrote that she was not in a relationship and had been sexually active for some time. An exam proved her pregnant. Her entire being was jovless.

I once thought I would tell my young son that anything goes - so long as he used condoms. Now I'm not so sure. Not only do I want my son to live. I don't want him to miss out on longing -- longing for what he is not yet ready to have.

The writer, a contributing editor for Rolling Stone magazine, contributed this com-ment to The New York Times.

teenage girls get pregnant in the first year. Let's follow one sexually active teenager such diseases can damage the female and male reproductive systems. Current recommendations for "safer" sex are unrealistic. Our teenager knows that before going to bed with someone, she and

the guy are supposed to exchange detailed sexual histories. Tandem AIDS tests are next, and if both can forge a monogamy pact, they will use condoms (and a more reliable form of birth control like the pill) for six months and then get tested again. Does our teenager hammer out these elaborate social contracts every time Cupid She may be ruining her life. Only 50 percent of women who have their first child at calls? Of course not. 17 or younger will have graduated from high school by age 30. Even a ruined life may be better than a life cut short by AIDS. If condoms - or

I had always assumed that abstinence essons were synonymous with Sex Respect. the religious right's curriculum that uses fear to pressure kids to avoid all sexual activity including necking - until marriage. But studies of a program in Atlanta's public schools suggest that promoting abstinence

young condom users — are so unreliable that up to 36 percent of young women get pregnant in a single year of use, what does that say about our teenager's chances of can be done intelligently and effectively.

The challenge:

TO STEER CLEAR OF THOUSANDS OF NAVIGATIONAL HAZARDS IN OUR COASTAL WATERS.

FRAHAM P. GAUNTLETT. Houg Kong.

The New York Times editorial "Hong Kong Needs Clinton" (Dec. 23) shows how little the West understands the row in Hong Kong. Before deciding to charge into the fray in the name of protecting de-mocracy, I would strongly advise that Western leaders - and particularly Bill Clinton - familiarize themselves with the Basic Law, which will be the constitution of Hong Kong after the Chinese takeover on July 1, 1997.

Oue important point to note is that the Basic Law does specify a gradual increase in the pace of democracy in Hong Kong. It spec-ifies that there will be 20 directly elected seats out of a total of 60 seats in the legislature in 1997. The directly elected seats will be increased to 24 in 1999, 30 in 2003, and a possible 60 in 2007.

Those seats that are not directly elected would be indirectly elected. That method has a good track record of electing responsible, im-partial and worthy candidates who work for the interest of the people.

The idea that the people will be put in a political vice in 1997 needs to be dispelled quickly before all the Western white knights charge in. A CHUNG HO WOO. Hong Kong.

Hong Kong is the world's only example of a "participative demo-cracy" - participative because the urbanized area of Hong Kong is so tiny and crowded that the system relies on everyone doing his or her part to ensure that things go right. Taxis, boset, subways, sanitation, office workers, teachers, engineers. rications, airport, police, hotels, hospitals, air and sea ports, small bosinessmen: Any sin-gle group, if they collectively stop doing their job, can bring this city to a halt within 24 hours.

What is clear is that the Patten proposals are a deliberate manipu-lation of the agreed principles contained in the Joint Declaration of 1984 between the governments of Britain and China. This fact alone would provoke the wrath of any government so abused and must be cicarly understood by anyone attempting to form an objective opinion of the current dispute. I. H. AMBROSE

Beware 'World Order'

Hong Kong.

Jim Hoagland's "History Has a Reverse Gear and the UN Has No Map" (Opinion, Dec. 17) returned me to Cariton J. H. Haves's book. "A Generation of Materialism. 1871-1900" [1941]. Not unlike our present-day optimists who talk of new world orders, the end of the 19th century found the Western world also hopeful and (ull of great expectations. There was a "trend

Munich.

Which Bavarians?

Regarding "Hinler Diaries as Comedy? It's 'Schonk' " (Dec. 14):

John Rockwell's description of the director Helmut Dietl may be fair to him, but hardly to Bavarians: "Unlike Bavarians, traditionally conservative and provincial, he is a firm proponent of democracy and a Western orientation for Germany." Would this have made Franz Josef Strauss, the former premier of Bavaria, a firm proponent of communism with an East-

> MARK WERTH. Stuttgart.

IBM Wrote Its Blues

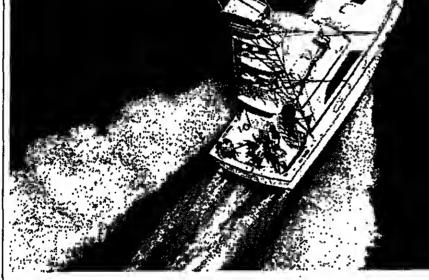
ern orientation?

Hobart Rowen's opinion column "On IBM, and the Economy's Big Blues" (Dec. 19) shows a misunderstanding of what happened to Inter-national Business Machines Corp. The issue is not the company's fail-

ure to "downsize," but its failure to understand the industry's direction its misunderstanding of trends led IBM to sow the seeds of its own "downsizing" by giving away the best part of its future business to Microsoft Corp. and Intel Corp. Although it had the top software writers in the husiness. IBM chose to turn to Microsoft for its personal computer operating system. IBM also forsook its own research and

development capability to subcontract and give away the design and production of the personal computer chip to Intel. Microsoft and Intel

are now at IBM's throat. Contrary to Apple Computer's John Scully, the only "education" factor that came into play was the failure of John Akers, the IBM chairman, and those who supported him, to educate themselves in the direction of their own industry. JOHN HARDING. Singapore.



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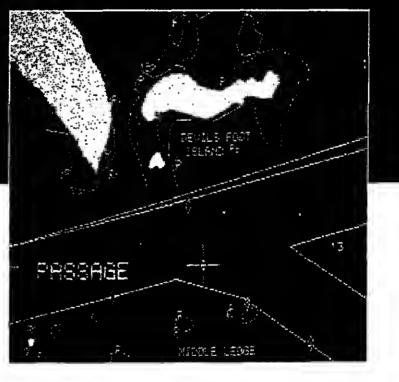
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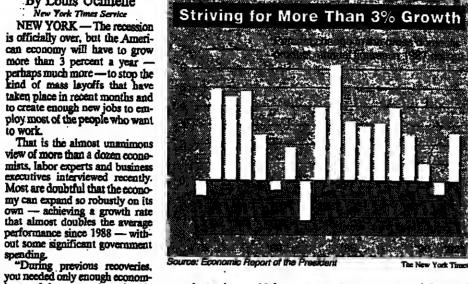
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sic growth for companies to justify hiring back laid-off workers," said Robert B. Reich, the Har-vard teacher who is President-clect Bill Clinton's secretary of labor designate and also the third annual growth rate of 2.5 percent to 3 percent was sufficient to absorb nearly everyone seeking jobs. But now, with companies shrinking staffs and reorganizing labor-designate and also the chief to become more competitive, of his economics transition team. economists think it will require "But this time, jobs were abol-ished and people have to find work in new fields. You are talkmore growth — perhaps more than 3.5 percent on average over the next two or three years - to maintain the same equilibrium.

ing about very strong economic growth for this to happen." The leading military contrac-tors alone are laying off 10,000 workers a month, the Labor De-For three decades, economists generally held to the rule that an

partment reports, and thousands of relatively well-paying jobs are disappearing at companies like General Motors and IBM, which are bent on cutting labor costs as sales decline. Given such pressures, without strong expansion the unemployment rate, now 7.2 percent, could rise. "We need for the economy to

grow between 3 percent and 4 percent a year just to get joh cre-ation moving in the right direc-tion, and we need 4 percent

jobs in November, bolstering the view among economists and la-bor experts that this might be the proper growth goal. But the 50 forecasters polled monthly by Blue Chip Economic Indicators, a newsletter, believe that growth will fall below 3 percent by early next year.

"The numerous layoffs are undoubtedly making companies more efficient," said Robert Hall, Stanford University economist. But increasing productivity in this fashion is not a socially desirable thing unless we can put those laid off back to work."

Given that goal, the debate is being framed in these terms: If corporations and consumers bee energetic enough to make the American economy expand by more than 3 percent, then proposals for a special government stimulus - more public-works spending or new tax credits or See GROWTH, Page 11

AMR Takes Stake in Canadian Airlines

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche

CALGARY, Alberta - After a year of onagain, off-again negotiations, American Air-lines agreed Tuesday to invest 246 million Canadian dollars (\$194.8 million) in Canadian Airlines in a deal that awarded the U.S. carrier a 20-year contract to provide services to the unprofitable Canadian line.

AMR Corp., the parent of American Airlines, will receive convertible preferred stock in Canadian Airlines that will give it a 33.3 per-cent financial interest and a 25 percent voting stake, PWA Corp. will retain 75 percent of Canadian Airlines.

As part of the deal, AMR will provide services to Canadian Airlines including ac-counting and data processing, operations planning, yield management and some international station operations and reservations outside Canada, PWA said.

AMR said the first full-year revenue of the contract would be about \$115 million. The U.S.

nadian Airlines or its selection of a chief execucompany, the country's largest airline, said it would designate two of the eight members on tive, said Rhys Eyton, chairman of PWA. the Canadian Airlines board of directors, but Under the accord, PWA will cut its work force hy about 1,300 people, beginning the in the middle of next year. The earlier talks with would not control any of the company's major

AMR included plans for elimination of 2,000 jobs, and analysts estimated the Air Canada merger would have cost as many as 10,000 jobs.

Under the plan, the airline's 13,000 employ-ces will agree to \$141 million in wage cuts.

PWA said it expected to be profitable hy 1994. Kevin Jenkins, president of Canadian Airlines, said: "We are not projecting profit-ability for the transition year in 1993. Our current plan projects us to be profitable in 1994, but the industry turns so much on the health of the economy. If the economy goes the way everyone says it is going our next profitable year will be 1994."

The first phase of the alliance will link the two carriers' frequent-flyer programs - Canadian Plus and American's AAdvantage — early next year. (Bloomberg, Reuters, AFX)

U.S. Consumers Show Big Hopes

cember amid a wave of post-elec-oon euphoria, while sales of existing bomes jumped to a six-year

high in November. "The economy has moved onto a faster growth track," said Rohert Dederick, chief economist at Northern Trust in Chicago.

The Conference Board said its index of consumer confidence surged to 78.3 in December from a revised 65.6 in November. The increase was stronger than expected and put the index, which is calcu-lated on a 1985 base of 100, at its

highest level since April 1991. Meanwhile, the National Association of Realtors said home resales rose 5.8 percent in November to a seasonally ndjusted annual rate of 3.85 million. Analysts had heen ex-pecting a rise of under 2 percent.

Separately, the Johnson Redbook survey of major retailers said December sales were 10.4 percent above last year's, in what it call "a

bonanza not equaled" since 1983. "There's continued hope on the part of people that President Clinton and the new administration will do something positive for the economy," said Carl Palash, an economist at MCM Money Watch in New York.

The news lifted stocks and bonds, The Dow Jones industrial average was up nearly 20 points before tum-hling in the last two hours on computer-guided sell programs. The 30year Treasury bond rose nearly a half point, or \$5 per \$1,000 face amount, lowering its yield to 7.36 percent from 7.40 percent Monday, as traders figured a strong economy would lessen the need for a Clinton

spending package. (Page 10). The Conference Board cited a strong rise in its index of consumer expectations, which surged to 104.5 in December from 85.7 in November.

"Consumer expectations, which have a good history of forecasting the nation's economic fortunes, reg-istered an imposing gain over the past two months of almost 24

Sale Fever Drives

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London Stocks Up

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher LONDON - Stock prices continued their record-breaking run Tuesday as reports of strong post-holiday retail sales lifted hopes of a recovery in the new year.

In addition to reports of record business in the first day of post-Christmas sales Monday, the Halifax building society predicted house prices would bottom out in the spring and the economy would grow as much as 1.5 percent in 1993.

The blue-chip Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100 index jumped 20.3 points to a new high of 2,847.8. investors are optimistic when they read that the managing director

of the Schridges department store said that husiness was better than at any time in the past 12 years," said Elliout Shaw, trader at Townsley & (Bloomberg, Reuters) Co.

tive director of the business group's research center. "An increase of such a dimension in so brief a time period generally foreshadows significant improvement in the nation's economic performance.

Consumers were less optimistic about current conditions, however, The "present situation" index rose to 39 from 35.5 in November.

This shows "a yawning gap" between what people have experi-enced under President Bush and what they expect from Bill Clinton. said Elliott Platt, an economist at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette.

"People are making very big bets on Bill Clinton, and that things will improve very quickly." Mr. Platt said. "That could be subject to reversal" if the recovery did not gain

momentum next year, he said. "There has been a shift toward a willingness to believe something is going on and behave accordingly." Mr. Dederick said. What remains to be seen is whether businesses will start adding workers. "That's the last link in chain that hasn't been points," said Fabian Linden, execu- welded," he said. (Bloomberg, AP)

strategic business decisions. AMR said PWA would have an option to buy out its interest at any time. PWA has been pursuing the alliance since it failed to arrange a merger with its domestic rival, Air Canada, this year. In November, Air Canada and a Texas investment group agreed to buy majority control of Continental Airlines for \$450 million.

AMR and PWA broke off earlier negotia-tions in July. PWA subsequently entered into merger talks with Air Canada. In recent months, the AMR chairman, Robert Crandall, said his company's discussions with PWA had resumed

The new agreement does not include earlier provisions that would have given AMR the authority to veto PWA's business plan for Ca-

By Deirdre Carmody New York Times Service

EW YORK - In an unusual collaboration between two communications companies that signals a possible new publishing trend, Dow Jones & Co. and Hearst Corp. will begin bimonthly publication this week of their magazine, Smart Money. The personal finance magazine, which tested two issues this year, combines the editorial expertise of Dow loves, which owns The Wall Street Journal, and the publishing experience of Hearst, generally acknowledged as the best in the industry at starting magazines. Each partner was able to supply

Smart Money weds what the other lacked. Last week, in a similar joint-Dow Jones editorial to cature arrangement, Time Inc.

agreed to manage certain maga-zines produced by American Ex-Hearst marketing.

press Publishing. The critical difference, however, is that the Time-American Express deal involves established magazines that were never conceived to be run by more than one company.

The arrangement is more familiar abroad, where companies such as Reader's Digest Association Inc. have long teamed up with foreign partners to publish magazines. Hearst and Gruner & Jahr AG, for

instance, publish the German-language edition of Cosmopolitan. Smart Money was conceived two years ago when Norman Pearl-stine, then executive editor of The Wall Street Journal, had lunch with three Hearst executives, including John Mack Carter, director of magazine development. Mr. Pearlstine had been frustrated by a decade of failed attempts by Dow Jones to start a magazine.

We were looking for new markets and were fascinated by the importance of money and how baby boomers were going to manage their money," said D. Claeys Bahrenburg, president of Hearst Maga-zines. "But we had no experience in personal finance and would have had to go out and hire a whole lot of editors. The idea of a 50-50 straight joint venture with Dow Jones made total, total sense." Smart Money has a small staff of writers but will be written

mainly by Wall Street Journal reporters and a smattering of free-lancers. The magazine's subtitle is The Wall Street Journal Magazine of Personal Business

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Chip-Import Target likely to raise the possibility in Washington of adopting a more confrontational approach to trade relations. On Monday, By Keith Bradsher New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Japan's

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promise last year to open its market in computer chips is not producing the level of Ameri-Tokyo reported a record overal trade surplus for the month of November, \$10.45 billion. can sales that both countries

said they expected, Carla A. Hills, the United States trade Japanese officials have ac knowledged trade relations representative, said Tuesday. could become more contentious carly next year, while hoping any This lack of improvement "calls into question Japan's re-solve" to implement last year's

fuss would be brief. According to Kyodo News Service, Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa said arrangement, Mrs. Hills said in last week during the taping of a an unusually strong statement television show that the governaccompanying her quarterly re-view of Japanese compliance with the pact. "Japan's efforts ment under Mr. Clinton "will probably say all sorts of things simply must be intensified if we - whenever there is a new administration they always hlow a are to avert a serious confrontalot of hot air, but after several oon on this issue." months it quicts down."

Access to Japan's computer-chip market will be one of the first U.S.-Japanese trade issues Mrs. Hills announced Tuesday that fortign semiconduc-tors accounted for 15.9 percent 10 confront President-elect Bill Clinton after his inauguration of the Japanese market in the third quarter, down marginally from 16.0 percent in the second Other decisions are due soou

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Nasdaq Defies Drop In the Blue Chips

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The Dow was dragged down by IBM, which slumped 2 to 49% after

N.Y. Stocks

a Merrill Lynch analyst cut the stock from his buy list. The bluechip index also reflected weakness in constituent stocks Minoesota Mining & Manufacturing and Goodyear Tire & Rubber. "This is a crazy market," said Daniel Marciano, senior vice president in equity trading at Dillon, Read & Co. "IBM and 3M are getting whacked and the market is cracking before our cyes."

Positive economic news and a rally in retail-store shares pushed the Nasdaq Combined Composite index up 2.76 to a new high of 669.01, topping its previous record of 667.12 set Dec. 8.

Advancing common stocks outoumbered declining issues by about 8 to 7 on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was active, with about 217 million shares changing

hands. Standard & Poor's 500 in-"The economic reports definitely knocked blue-chip stocks lower on gave the markets a boost as more and more people are convinced the economy is recovering." said Barry Berman, head trader at Robert W. Baird & Co.

The National Association of Realtors said sales of existing U.S. homes rose 5.8 percent in November; the Conference Board said consumer confidence rose in December to its highest level since

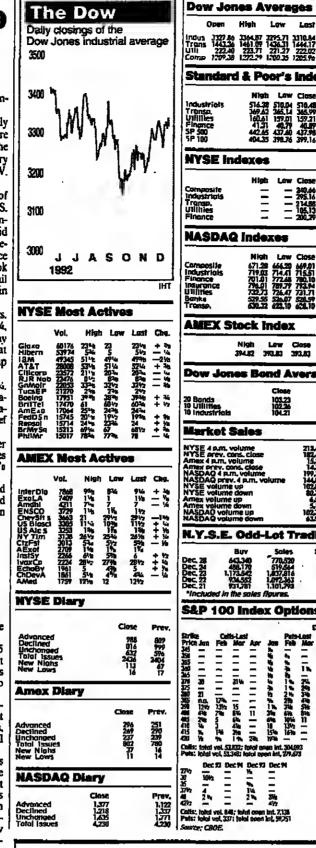
April 1991, and Johoson Redbook said retail sales at major retail chains were 10.4 percent higher in December than a year ago. Store shares rallied on the oews.

Sears, Roebuck was up % at 45%, Woolworth was up 3 at 31%, May Department Stores was up 11/2 at 71% and Dayton-Hudson was up 3 at 75.

Glazo Holdings rose 1 to 23%. The Food and Drug Administra-tion said it approved Glazo's suma-triptan, an injectable drug for relief from migraine headaches.

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recapitalization. Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. gained 4 to 68½ after the FDA approved its Taxol drug to treat some ovarian



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Mexico Cuts Zeros Off Peso

Reuters

MEXICO CITY — Mexico will trim three zeros off the peso beginning Jan. 1 in a change that symbolizes its economic turn-around and aims to simplify mind-boggling financial transactions.

The governmentwill issue oew coins and bills, and all prices, bank accounts and salaries will be denominated in oew pesos. The old currency will continue to be accepted as legal tender for a while.

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IBM Slides Another 4.1%

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A \$3 Billion McDonnell Contract Longed Press International

ST. LOUIS — McDonnell Douglas Corp. said Tuesday it had agreed to pay \$3 billion over the next 10 years to International Business Machines Corp. for data-processing and other computerrelated services.

McDonnell Douglas said the agreement also provided for IBM's Integrated Systems Solutions Corp. to buy the assets and operations of McDonnell Douglas Aerospace Information Services for an undisclosed price.

Record U.S. Securities Issues in 1992

NEW YORK (Bloomberg1 — New issues of stocks and bonds in the United States surged to a record \$838 billion in 1992, a 42 percent increase from 1991, according to preliminary results for the year prepared by Securities Data Co.

Corporations, taking advantage of the lowest long-term rates in five years, sold a record \$301 billion of bonds, mostly to refinance deht with higher ioterest rates. Bond sales may decline in 1993 because rates are not expected to plunge as they did in 1992, when the Federal Reserve cut interest rates three times, investment bankers and analysts said.

Stock sales may continue at this year's record \$72.4 billion pace, at least early in the year as the stock market remains buoyant. The outlook for stock sales is "reasonably positive," said Thomas Davis, head of the equity syndicatioo group at Merrill Lynch.

Wall Street investment banks were prime beneficiaries of surging slock and bond sales, gathering a record \$6.7 billion in underwriting fees this year, up from \$4.7 billion in 1991. Securities Data said.

FDA Approves Bristol-Myers' Taxol WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — The Food and Drug Administration said Tuesday it had approved Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.'s Taxol for ovarian-cancer treatment.

Taxol is derived from the bark of the vew tree, which grows in the Pacific Northwest. Efforts are conviouing to develop a synthetic equivalent to Taxol, or another version of the drug using other parts of the Pacific yew or another species.

Taxol is approved for patients with advanced ovarian cancer who do oot benefit from traditional cancer drugs or cannot receive them. (Bloomberg, AP)

Turner to Launch Russian Channel

ATLANTA (Reuters) - The U.S. broadcaster Turner Broadcastiog System said Tuesday it would launch Russia's first iodependent television channel this Friday in a joint venture with Moscow Independent Broadcasting Co.

The new station will operate on over-the-air frequencies and be supported by advertising, the oetwork said. Programming will consist of five hours of Cable News Network International, plus other material.

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Despite government attempts to explain the change, economists and the press have cited widespread public fears that the move will make people poorer by eliminating millions of peso millionaires.

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dealers cashed in oo recent gains. Lee Kassler, senior trader for NatWest Bank USA, said "the dol-lar dipped slightly in New York

Foreign Exchange

after its move up oo Monday." He said players sold their dollars and took profits oo Mooday's gains. The dollar fell to 1.6138 Deutsche

marks from 1,6205, and it dropped to 124.705 yen from 124.900. Mr. Kassler said the dollar

movement was exaggerated because of a combination of the usual end-of-year thin trading in curren-cy markets and nervousness over tensions in the Middle East.

"The dollar bad some gains as a safe haven in the wake of the Gulf situation," Mr. Kassler said. Iraqi planes penetrated the allied "no-fly" zone for a second day on Tuesday, while the U.S. aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk traveled to the Gulf after being ordered to the area Monday.

On Tuesday, some investors decided to take a breather and book quick profits before establishing fresh positions, traders said. "There are still a few accounts who want to

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Dealers Take Profits

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In nudging the dollar lower, in-vestors shrugged off reports that sbowed gains in sales of homes.

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SAN FRANCISCO - The long-term potential of the newly announced joint venture between Kazakhstan and Chevroo Corp. to develop the immense Tengiz and Korolev oil fields on the northeastern coast of the Caspian Sea is enormous, but it still faces many significant chal-

lenges, analysts said. Chevron said Monday that it expected to begin full-scale operations on April 1 in the venture, the largest such arrangement to date between a large republic of the Commonwealth of Independent States and a leading multinational oil company. Tengiz is regarded as one of the world's top 10 fields, with

reserves likely to be as much as 35 hillion barrels. But analysis warned that the Caspian Sea, slushy, muddy and shallow, is not navigable near the oil fields, so oil produced at Tengiz and Korolev will have to be moved through pipelines across neighboring republics or through Iran. Moreover, the oil has a very high sulfur content, making its ement costly and difficult. And the existing infrastructure, including roads, pipelines and

utilities, needs major upgrading, they said.

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opportunity because of the sheer volume of oil available. The project envisions poten-"This project has a lot of probtial peak production of more than 700,000 barrels a day by the lems associated with it," said William L. Randol, an analyst with Salomon Brothers. "Until year 2010. Current Tengiz prosomeone figures out how to pipeduction is 65,000 barrels a day.

line this stuff to a warm-water There's lots of it there, and this is an area where Chevron port. I just can't get that excited can bring some expertise and benefits to the joint venture," "The internal Russian price is \$3 a barrel," he added, "so this is said Mr. Price.

The joint venture's investthe first three years. As part of its involvement, Chevron will assist Kazakhstan with improving or rebuilding roads, schools and hospitals

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"This is one of those projects that can really transform a com-

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Espy Price, head of Chevron Overseas Petroleum Inc.'s Commonwealth of Independent States business unit, said that the project

Guangzhou Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches PARIS -The profits of a merged Subway Bids Matra SA and Hachette SA will show a sharp rise next year from 1992 levels, Jean-Luc Lagardère, the chairman of both companies, said Compiled by Our Staff From Duspatches

HONG KONG - French companies are to be barred from contracts for the Guangzhou underground rail system as part of a protest against the reported sale of French Mirage fighters to Taiwan, a newspaper connolled by China said Tuesday. The Wen Wei Po reported that

Li Ziliu, mayor of Guangzhou, said he was acting on orders from Beij-ing in excluding the French from the construction of the rail system in his city. French companies would not be allowed to bid for tenders and French equipment, trains and loans would not be used. to Paris, France expressed regret

Tuesday at the Chinese decision. "We regret anything that could deprive France and China of the means 10 cooperate," said the depnty foreign ministry spokesman, Maurice Gourdault-Montagne.

In a commentary earlier this week, China's state-run Xinhua news agency carried a fierce attack on France over the deal. France's decision to sell Taipei the planes will force it to eat bitter fruit." Xinhua said.

The Chinese government last week gave France one month to close its consulate in Guangzhou.

Mr. Li had been quoted earlier this year as saying that French companies would have prinrity in tendering for contracts because of French aid worth 10 million francs (\$1.83 million) for a feasibility study that paved the way for the subway construction project.

"We must maintain national dignity and put the national interest first," Mr. Li was quoted as saying. The British-French engineering concern GEC-Alsthom said in August it hoped to win a contract valued at \$200 million to \$300 million to supply rolling stock, teleworks out to income of about 825 million francs to 1.1 billion francs. Hachette's shares rose 3.50 francs, 10 86.70, on the Paris Bourse. Shareholders will get five Matra shares for every 11 they hold in Hachette, Matra rose 4 francs, to 194, making the exchange worth 88.18 francs to Hachette owners.

Mr. Lagardère cited Matra's defense orders as a source of strength for pext year. He said orders will have risen to about 20 billion francs by the end of this year from 11 billion francs at the end of 1991. The hefty rise was apparently London

due in part to Matra's share of a \$3.5 billion French order to sell 60 fighter jets to Taiwan. The deal has not been confirmed. Hachette had a 1.93 billion frane loss in 1991, while Matra earned

252 million francs. The combined company will be controlled by a new entity. Lagardère Group, which is to be formed out of MMB and Groupe Arjil.

Mr. Lagardère also said an 8.8 percent Hachette stake held by Iraqi interests through Montana

Tax Breaks Lift Milan Stocks

comberg Business News MILAN-Italian stocks gained 2.5 percent Tuesday after government

plans to offer incentives for buying equities were disclosed. The MIB index closed at \$94.0, up 23.0 points. Traders said volume remained light at about 100 billion lire (\$70 million). The government plans to offer a tax credit of 27 percent on counties bought during the next four years, according to newspaper reports Tuesday. The plan also will allow the creation of individual retirement savings accounts, which will be able to invest 50 percent of funds in equilies, be

exempt from most taxes and receive tax credits on capital gains. Furthermore, companies that sell at least 30 percent of their equity to

the public would receive tax benefits. The incentives are intended to facilitate the privatization of government-owned companies.

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 Saab Aincraft, a unit of Saab Scania AB, said AMR Corp.'s American Eagle subsidiary had ordered 20 of its 340-B commuter airplanes. Saah did nnt disclose a price, but last week, an identical order from the same company was valued at 1 billion kronor (\$142 million).

• Etablissements Delhaize Frères & Co. "Le Lion" SA saw its stock dive 46 (rancs (\$1.40), in 1.322 (rancs, because of alleged labor law violations by its 44.27 percent-owned subsidiary. Food Lion Group Inc.

. Renault SA denied reports that Jax Co. had ceased to act as its importer and distributor in Japan but added that it had begun to talk in other distributors with the possible aim of replacing Jax.

• Skoda Koncern Pizen AS of Czechoslovakia reportedly plans to sell 1.6 billion koruny (\$57.64 millioo) of bonds. Czech media reports said the industrial company wanted Komerchi Banka and Investioni Banka to buy the securities, but the banks are said to seek government guarantees.

. Monsanto Co.'s G.D. Searle subsidiary bought out the interest of its Italian partner, Alfa Wassermann SpA, in the Schiapparelli-Searle Inc. joint pharmaceuticals venture for an undisclosed sum.

The West German economy will "cool drastically" in 1993, according to a study carried out among 41 industry associations by the IW economic research institute. AFX. Reuters, AP, Bloomherg

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But if growth falls below the goal of more than 3 percent, then the new administration is likely to act. Mr. Reich said Mr. Clinton would wait at least until late January to make a judgment.

The mathematics that make the benchmark more than 3 percent are plan enough. The rate at which

create more than 240,000 jobs a month, economists say. By comparison, the November surge - the strongest in months - produced 105,000 new jobs. "If you could promise me a 4

percent growth rate through 1993, I would be less worried," said Robert M. Solow of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a Nobel lau-

U.S. Gives Glaxo Green Light for Migraine Drug

Bloomberg Business News WASHINGTON - Glazo Inc.

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received Food and Drug Administration approval Tuesday to sell its limitrex injectable drug for the treatment of acute migraine pain. While Imitrex is not a cure for migraines, it is "effective in allevi-

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French From For Matra-Hachette

Tuesday as his plan to combine them moved toward fruition. Speaking at a Matra shareholders' meeting, which approved the merger almost unanimously. Mr. Lagardère said the combined 1993 profit of the company to be called Matra-Hachette would show "a

very significant improvement" from pro forma 1992 results, which will provide net profit of 350 million to 400 million French francs (\$64.2 million to \$73.3 million). Holders of more than 99 percent nf Hachette shares, meeting later, also voted for the deal.

China Bars Profit Rise Pledged

Matra is a defense, electronics and communications company, while Hachette publishes books, newspapers and magazines; among its titles are Elle, Car & Driver and

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TOKYO - The introduction this week of a new index for Japan's emerging over-the-counter market will give investors a more efficient gauge of the OTC market, but analysis doubt it will be enough to revive confidence in a sector racked by the economic downturn. Interest in smaller company stocks soared in 1989 and 1990, when

investors who were convinced that larger companies had grown too expensive turned to the smaller companies. But when Japan's economy soured, concerns that smaller companies would fall into bankruptcy chased most investors out of the market.

OTC stocks have fallen 70 percent from their peak in 1990. compared with a 55 percent decline in the blue-chip Nikkei 225.

"This is the right move, but it's coming out at the wrong time for the OTC market," said Masanori Hoshina, a trader at Cosmo Securities. "It's going to take a year or more for investors to regain the confidence they had in OTC stocks."

The new index, named the Jasdaq index, will provide a more efficient yardstick to measure the performance of OTC stocks against other markets, said Koichiro Hirata of the Japan Securities Dealers Association, which regulates over-the-counter stocks. He said there were no plans to set up futures or options on the index. Unlike the Nikkei OTC, which was introduced in 1985 by the Nihon Keizai newspaper, the Jasdaq index will give larger compa-Ninon Keizin newspaper, the should more will give larger compa-nies a bigger weighting than smaller companies. The Nikkei OTC is a simple average of share prices without regard 10 company size. The new index also will make intraday trading on OTC stocks easier by providing investors updated prices by the minute. With the

Nikkei OTC, prices are updated only at the end of the day.

The Jasdaq, which includes 435 stocks, has tumbled with the market since its base was set at 100 on Oct. 28, 1990. At its official uoveiling Monday, it opened at 44.18. The index fell 0.20 of a point Tuesday to 44.02.

JAL Teams With KLM to Cut Losses

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NEC Seeks Deal to Sell Computers By Convex

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TOKYO - NEC Corp. is negotiating with Convex Computer Corp. of the United States to sell Convex supercomputers in Japan.

an NEC spokesman said Tuesday. If agreed, it would be the first time that NEC, one of Japan's leading electronics companies, had

sold another maker's computers. The announcement comes as tensions are rising between Japan and the United States over market access io both countries for supercomputers.

Cray Research Inc., the top U.S. supercomputer maker, filed a pro-test in July with the Japanese gov-erament over a decision by a Japaoese government agency to boy an NEC SX-3 supercomputer instead of Cray's Y-MP C90 model, citing unfairness in the bidding process.

The government's supercomputer procurement committee determined on Oct. 7 that the purchase of the NEC machine by the National Institute for Fusion Science was fair,

An NEC spokesman, Chris Shi-mizu, said the talks with Convex, one of Cray's leading competitors in the United States, had nothing to do with the dispute with Cray.

This is purely a business deci-sion on our part," he said. "NEC does not make the mid-range prod-TOKYO - Japan Air Lines Co. will tie up with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines to operate together on some European routes oext spriog to cut costs in the face of declining traffic, a company official said Tuesday. ucts that Convex does, and we need IAL will connect its Tokyo-Amsterdam route with KLM's flights from to fill gaps in our own inventory."

the Dutch capital to Madrid and Zurich, respectively, the official said. NEC will sell the Convex C3 Japan's flagship airline has seen passengers and revenue decline on its direct flights from Tokyo to Madrid and Zurich. The new tie-up will series machines, which are used ex-tensively in weather prediction and in analysis of seismic data. They are capable of executing up to 10 enable JAL to continue service to those cipes via its profitable Tokyo-Amsterdam route, while giving KLM additional revenue on two routes. million instructions per second, putting them in a class below Cray

JAL is likely to post a record loss of 50 billion yen (\$403 million) in the year ending March 31, the official said. In October, it linked its Tokyomachines but above the most pow-Munich route with Lufthansa's service from Munich to Berlin. (UPI, AFP) erful desktop workstations.

BHP Lands Field in Vietnam

Australians Join Petronas in Offshore Project

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dupatcher SYDNEY - Australia's Broken Hill Proprietary Tuesday won the right to lead a billion-dollar project to develop Vietnam's Dai Hung oil field, one of Southeast Asia's most promising sites. Broken Hill said its BHP Petroleum Pry. unit and

Petronas Carigali Overseas Sdn., an exploration arm of Malaysia's Petroliam Nasional Bhd., or Petronas, won the bidding over eight other competing consortia. The field, whose name means Big Bear, is estimated

to hold 700 million to 800 million barrels of light, lowsulphur crude worth \$16 billion at current prices.

"As a newly emerging bydrocarbon province, where exploration is in its infancy, the area must be classified as one of the more exciting opportunities to emerge worldwide in recent years," BHP said.

For cash-starved Vietnam, the project holds out the hope of billions of dollars in export earnings starting

any easing in U.S. trade restrictions. The hidding for to about 120,000 barrels a day and should be complet-Dai Hung was not open to U.S. companies because of ed within 43 months of signing contracts, the U.S. trade embargo against Vietnam. (Reuse

Upon signature of a production-sharing contract, BHP as operator will be entitled to 43.75 percent of Co. and an arm of Malaysia's state oil company on production. Petronas will get 20 percent and stateowned PetroVietnam 15 percent. A fourth group. which BHP said would be made public in a few months, would take the remaining 21.25 percent.

months, would take the remaining 21.20 percent. The Dai Hung field is in the Con-Son Basin off the southern coast of Vietnam. The nearby Bach Ho field is already producing 80,000 barrels of oil a day. The Dai Hung field is operated oow by Vietsovpe-tro, a Vietnamese-Russian joint venture that also op-erates Bach Ho. Vietsovpetro discovered Dai Hung in 1988 and three avaloration wells have been doiled 1988, and three exploration wells have been drilled. Bryan Griffith, BHP Petroleum's general manager for Asia, said the field could be producing oil by mid-1994 if contracts were signed as planned by March I. He said development of the field would cost \$1.5 billion to \$1.8 billion.

Dai Hung will be developed in three stages, with the as soon as 1994. The award offers the winning companies an entry to ooc of the world's most promising oil plays ahead of He said the second phase was expected to lift output

China Seals Contract to Boost Its Satellite Launch Industry

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BELJING - One week after its last launch attempt failed, China tried to boost confidence in its space launch industry on Tuesday by announcing a deal to send a satellite into orbit for a Hong Kong consortium. The announcement in the official China Daily did oot mention that the

consortium is led by three Chinese state-owned companies and that its chairman, Xie Gaojue, is China's vice minister of telecommunications. Great Wall Industrial Corp., the marketing arm of China's space industry, signed with Hong Kong's APT Satellite Co. on Saturday an agreement to hunch a U.S.-made communications satellite in June 1994,

company officials said. The launch will cost about \$40 million, the China Daily said. It was the first time China has publicly disclosed its launch price, which is lower than Western prices and is China's main attraction.

The contract, touted by the China Daily as an overseas vote of confidence for China's industry, came a week after a \$138 million Australian

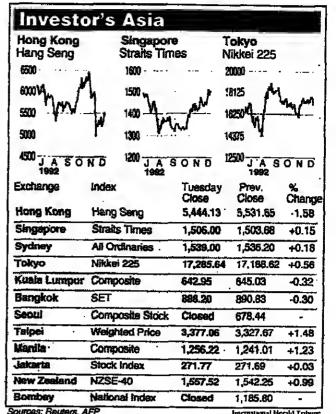
satellite was lost after launch by a Chinese Loog March rocket. China has denied responsibility, hinting that the fault lay with the satellite's U.S. maker, Hughes Aircraft Co., a unit of General Motors Corp. Hughes has said its engineers spotted a fireball 48 seconds after the launch and located several pieces of debris from the rocket and satellite. Hughes also will make the APT satellite. (Reusers, AP)

Gallup Venture

Bloomberg Business News BELING - The U.S. research company Gallup and China's top market-research concern may join within three months to form the country's first joint venture for market research, according to a source close to the Chinese company. Du Yan, president of China Market Research Organization, said his company hoped to announce a joint venture with a large U.S. market-re-

search company. Mr. Du said the American partner's initial investment

had not been decided but it would probably not exceed \$1 million. The partner would train Chinese staff and provide more sophisticated com puters and software,



Very briefiy:

• PT Astra International's financially strapped owners sold just over 8 percent of the company at 10,000 rupiah (\$4.85) a share, or some \$126 million, well above Tuesday's closing market price of 8,975; brokers speculated the buyer was the timber tycoon Prayogo Pangestu, who heads a group of local businessmen bidding for a 44.5 percent stake in Astra.

• HSBC Holdings' deal with a developer to offer mortgage loans of up to 90 percent of the value of new apartments in a housing project was opposed by the Hong Kong governmeot, which last year pressured lenders to reduce maximum loans to 70 percent to curb speculation.

• Carrier Transicold, part of United Technology Corp.'s Carrier unit, said it had agreed to buy Singapore-based Seacold Technologies Pte. for S12 million; the two companies have more than 60 percent of the world market for insulated containers.

 Kværner AS said its Finnish unit Kværner Masa Yards had received a letter of intent from Nippon Yusen Kabushiki Kaisha for a contract to build a luxury cruise liner.

Sudan's government has sold the Sudan textile factory in Khartoum 10 South Korca's Daewoo group for 800 million Sudanese pounds, or \$6 million at the official rate, Industry Minister Taj as-Sir Mustafa said. Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP



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Pitt, Continuing The Big East Jinx, Beats No. 11 UCLA

The Associated Press The Big East isn't supposed to be season. so big this season. But don't try telling that to UCLA.

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The 11th-ranked Bruins dropped the semifinals of the preseason NIT. "Beating a team of UCLA's cali-

ber really helps us going into Big East," said Chris McNeal, the Pan-

COLLEGE BASKETBALL thers' top returning scorer, who broke out of a slump with 26 points. Pitt is 7-1, with the only loss to its conference foe Georgetown. . Playing time for McNeal, who had only two points in the previous two games, had been cut substan-nally by Pitt's coach, Paul Evans. "Confidence-wise, I was real down," McNeal said, "One night I

was 0 for 1, another night 1 was 0 for 2. I didn't have any confidence in the shots that were there, so I didn't take them. The last game, I was 0 for 7, but I had more confidence because I was getting better shots."

He got plenty of good shots Mon-day, knocking down 11 of 19 shots. Jerry McCullough added 19 points for Pitt, and Tvus Edney had 20 points for UCLA.

No. 3 Kentucky 89, Rutgers 67: Jamal Mashhurn, who grew up in Harlem and played high scbool ball in the Bronz, had 22 points, five rebounds and five steals in the first round of the Holiday Festival in New York, It was his first college game in Madison Square Garden. Rodrick Rhodes, a freshman from New Jersey, added 15 points in just 24 minutes, Coach Rick Pitino got a victory in his first game at the Garden since he left as coach of the

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> No. 5 North Carolina 80, SW Louisiana 59: The Tar Heels led by just 50-46 with 10:36 to play, then 7-foot (2.13-meter) Eric Montros returned from the bench and helped put North Carolina into the semifinals of the Rainbow Classic in Honolulu. Montross and George Lynch each had 17 points in North Carolina's fourth appearance in the tournament; it has won the title each previous time, in 1972, 1977 and 1982, but next plays Michigan.

No. 6 Michigan 88, Nebraska 73: Eric Riley, who lost his starting job when the Fab Five arrived last year, came up with his biggest game of the season. The 7-foot senior helped the Wolverines dominate the boards and finished with 13 points and 10 rebounds.

Chris Wehber finished with 20 points and 12 rebounds. Jimmy King had 19 points, one off his career-high.

No. 8 Iowa 91, Texas Southern 70: Acie Earl set a record for Iowa (9-0) with nine steals and scored 15 points.

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No. 10 Georgetown 78, Hawaii Pacific 65: Freshman Othella Harrington scored 26 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Hoyas (6-0), who face host UC Irvine in

sic in Irvine, California. No. 13 Purdue 67, Florida 63: for up to two weeks. Glen Robinson had 18 points, making five of seven free throws in

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the final 2:21, as Purdne (7-0), which had a 30-5 run in the game, advanced to the championship game against host Texas-El Paso (7-2) in the Sun Carnival Classic. No. 18 Florida State 109, Mary-land-Baltimore County 80: Sam Cassell scored 31 points in coach Pat Kennedy's 250th career vichad nine rebounds, four steals and tory. The Seminoles' second-leadtwo blocked shots. ing scorer, Doug Edwards, dislo-cated a finger blocking a shot in

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Rutgers stymied Dale Brown but fared less well against No. 3 Kentucky in Madison Square Garden. the final of the Freedom Bowl Clas- pregame warmups and could be out State in the final of the Connecticut No. 22 Artzona 92. Delaware State 52: Chris Mills hit six 3-pointers before halftime and Arizo-

na forced 32 turnovers. The host Wildcats face West Virginia in the final of the Fiesta Bowl Classic. No. 23 Connecticut 91, Hartford 66: Scott Burrell scored 28 points. matching his career high, before 18 NBA scouts representing 16 teams, They also came to see Hartford's Vin Baker, who scored 19 points.

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Mutual Classic in Hartford.

points in the Commodores' eighth straight victory, which set up a match with Bowling Green in the final of the Music City Invitational

Young 70: Antoine Stoudamire scored 22 points and Clyde Jordan got two late baskets for the Ducks. who advanced to the championship Connecticut will meet Towson

game against Ohio State in the Far West Classic in Portland.

However. Bora divides his resources and his time, he will survive this bectie June. He must; there is no one

No. 24 Vanderbilt 95, Air Force 50: Billy McCaffrey scored 21

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in his third adopted country. Watch Milutinovic work and you see a smile, an

reached his teens. He confounded trainers telling him he was too frail for soccer,

Comforted by the auat who raised him, inspired hy the late Hennes Weisweiler, who coached Borussia Mönchengladbach from a small club to a big champion, Vogts became an indefatigably dogmatic right back. He was the terrier who remorselessly harassed Johan Cruvff so that West Germany beat the Nether-

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

A Fretful New Year Looms lands for the 1974 World Cup. In the Teutonic way the Deutscher Fussball Bund prepares its managerial sur-ONDON - Happy New Year? You or 1 might L ONDON — Happy New Year? You or 1 might managers of 130 national soccer teams are heading the began in earnest in 1979 when, at 32, he badly

He began in earnest in 1979 when, at 32, he badly broke a leg and was ushered in io train Germany's under-21 and junior sides. Train your own legacy, the lords of the DFB suggested. By the time Franz Beck-enhauer, with whom Vogts shared nearly 100 matches as a national team defender, quit in 1990, the victorious World Cup squad had Vogts schooled and tenacity in it.

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The character I became was put into me by my first trainers, Detumar Cramer and Hennes Weisweiler." Vogts said. "It's up to me to pass on what I learned."

At this year's end, as some Germans read the signs that their country might no longer be soccer's superpower. Vogts is the scapegoat. His team "failed" by finishing second to Denmark in the 1992 European Championship, failed to win friendly fixtures against Mexico and Austria, and was humiliated in Brazil before Christmas.

'Berti, we are beginning to have enough!" shricked Bild-Zeitun, the newspaper that bounded the terrier by sending him off to Brazil with news that 85 percent of its readers wanted a change of Bundestrainer.

The DFB, accustomed to Bild's knock them down journalism, insists that it never has sacked a manager and is not inclined to start.

Independent observers simply see Brazil's talents blossoming anew. Any team flown over from Europe might catch a cold in Latin America's mid-summer. Yet Vogts was shaken. He lampooned his players. Stefan Effenberg in particular, before Germany beat Uruguay. 4-1, in Montevideo. Never mind that Uruguay was berefi of its European exiles, this was personal,

"Until the Brazil game, I treated them like friends," Vogts said. "After that, I showed them I was the

WHETHER he can go on, building the team with one hand, whip in the other, is questionable. The truth is, despite representing a united Germany, the team needs new stars.

Lotbar Matthaus is not the captain of industry he was; Andreas Brehme and Rndi Völler, the galvanic left back and predatory striker, are gonc from the national team; and Jürgen Klinsmann is more actor than athlete,

It is no use blaming Vogts, and not smart to call him a Volkswagen to Beckenbauer's Mercedes.

Sure, Franz had charisma. He always was the cavalier who could make his flamboyant advances secure in the knowledge that dependable Berti was at his back. Now, with Beckenbauer getting rich in Germany and Japan, Vogts is on his own. He complains. justifi-

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ably, that too many of his rising stars - Matthias Sammer, Thomas Doll. Thomas Hässler. Andy Möller and Karl-Heinz Riedle --are being messed about in Italy.

Their contracts are worth three times what German clubs could pay, but the greed of the Italian clubs, hiring twice the number of foreigners they are entitled to play, means the players often sit on bruised egos and wasted careers.

But the complacency, the intermittent approach this might induce, was apparent to Vogts years ago. Back in 1987 he suggested there was a softening in the mental-ity, deriving from the lack of com-

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arm around the players, a friend telling them the world is theirs for the taking, they are better than they think. Berti Vogts is, by comparison, the orphan. His father, a shoemaker, and mother died before be

and defending champion. This should to be their year of contemplation, freedom and experimentation. Milutinovic is relatively safe and secure. A Yugobefore war tore Rob Rob Hughes •

beyond everything expected of them at the World

International Herald Tribune

toward 1993 like men facing the stocks. Only two have the 1994 World Cup finals written

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nowadays even past champions like England and Italy

Vogts. They manage the United States and Germany.

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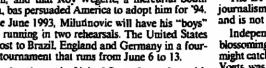
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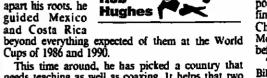
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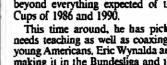
This time around, he has picked a country that needs teaching as well as coaxing. It helps that two young Americans, Eric Wynalda and John Harkes, are making it in the Bundesliga and the Englisb Premier Division; and that Roy Wegerle, a mercurial South African, bas persuaded America to adopt him for '94. Come June 1993, Milunnovic will have his "boys"

up and running in two rehearsals. The United States plays host to Brazil. England and Germany in a fournation tournament that runs from June 6 to 13.

Three days later, the United States has a date with Uruguay in the 12-nation Copa America at Quito in Ecuador. No time to draw a breath, let alone acclimainvited before, into the cauldron with Argentines. Brazilians and Uruguyans.





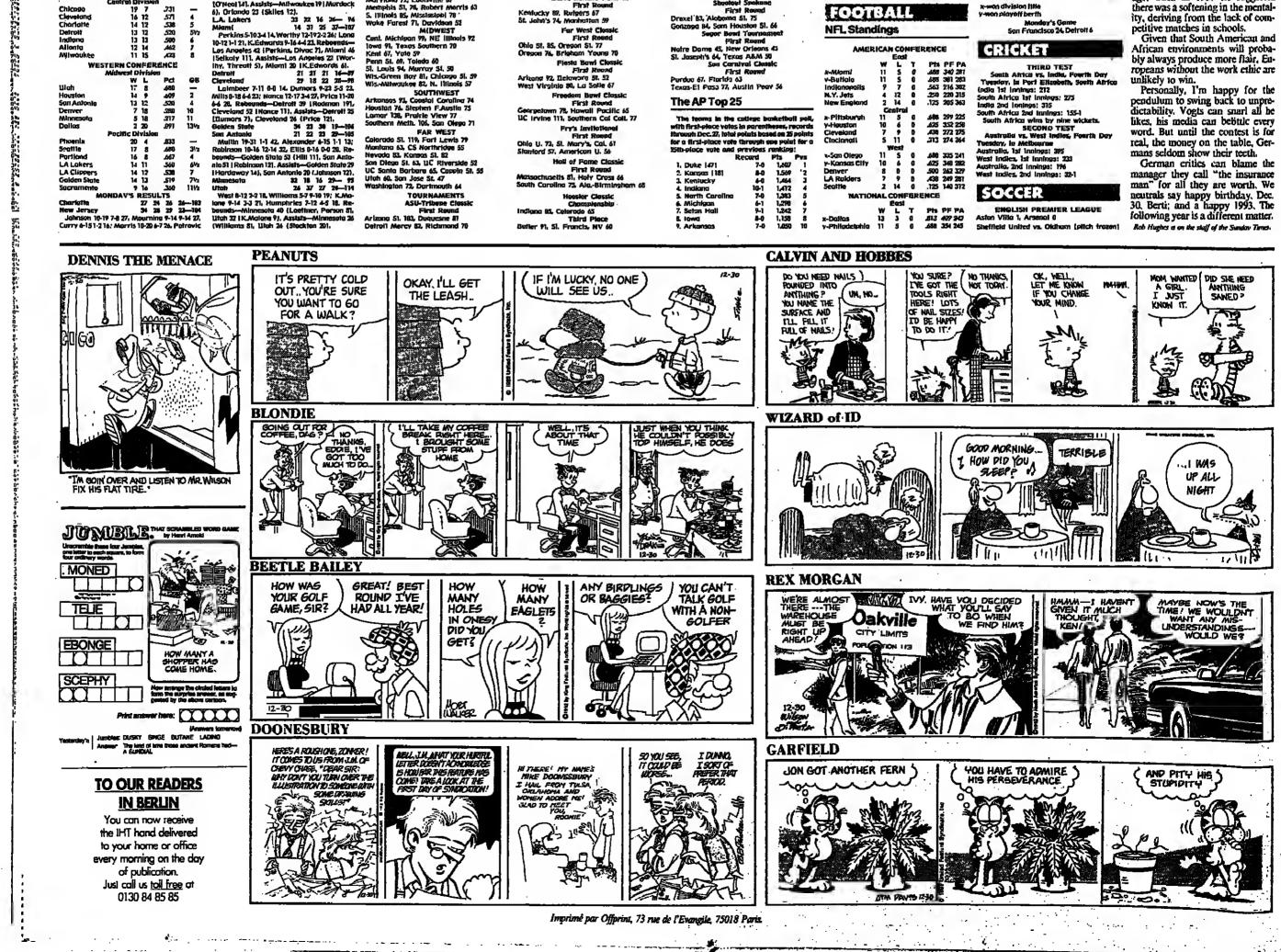


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Reeves Fired Montana's Back With the Answer: He Can Still Win By Owner, Who Wants to **Run Broncos**

The Associated Press

DENVER - Dan Reeves, who coached the Denver Broncos to three Super Bowls, has been fired, the day after the team lost its season finale and failed to get into the playoffs.

Reeves, 48, announced his own firing at a news conference Monday and the team's owner, Pat Bowlen, mel with reporters later. "Life goes on," Reeves said.

The Broncos, who reached the AFC title game last season before losing, 10-7, in Buffalo, ended their season at 8-8 after n 42-20 loss at Kansas City that knocked them out of the playoffs. They started 7-3 but lost four straight games after guarterback John Elway was injured. Bowlen's displeasure with Reeves had long been rumored.

Elway is to have surgery oext Tuesday on his left shoulder, which he injured in the season's first game, against the Los Angeles Raiders. Ten games into the season, Elway was sidelined for four games by a bruised right shoulder. Reeves coached Denver to five titles and three second-place finishes in the AFC West Division. His leams also appeared in four AFC championship games and three Su-per Bowls, losing all three times. Reeves said he and Bowlen met

Monday to discuss Reeves' future, but Bowlen "had his mind made up what he wanted to do" and did not give Reeves any options except to leave Denver. His five-year contract would have expired Feb. 1.

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"He wanted to run this football team in a different way. He didn't want to ask me to do it in a different way. And I respect that," Reeves said.

night not to renew Reeves' con- he said.

Joe Montana, in his first game in nearly two years, proved as quick afoot and swift of arm as ever, directing three scoring drives. tract. He said he had struggled for months with the decision, hut finally decided be could oot be more active in running the Broncos with Reeves as coach. "I think when you think about

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that, if I would have agreed to renew Dan's contract, a year from now we would have both been mis-Bowlen said he decided Sunday crahle and at each other's throats,"

looking for a new coach soon. Reeves had said be wanted to negotiate one more contract with agreed about how the organization Denver and then retire at age 55, should be run, clashing over wheth-He earned about \$950,000 for the er Reeves had too much control. last year of his present contract and with a 110-73-1 regular season re- coach, Reeves was offensive coorcord was the fourth-winningest ac- dinator and team vice president, tive coach. Only Don Shula of Mi- with power over virtually all player

ami, Chuck Knox of the Los personnel decisions.

Bowlen said he would begin Angeles Rams and Washington's Just last year, he was named Joe Gibbs own better records. AFC coach of the year as Denver But Bowlen and Reeves had diswent 12-4, won the AFC West title and gained in the AFC title game,

Reeves has played or coached in to addition to serving as head a record eight Super Bowls, including five as a player and coach for the Dallas Cowboys, whom he joined as a walk-oo free-agent run-ning back from South Carolina.

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He can still pass. He can still play. He can still take a hit, pick himself up and throw some more.

Montana returned from a nearly two-year absence caused by injury to throw two fourth-quarter touchdown passes and the San Francisco 49ers pulled away for a 24-6 victory over the Detroit Lions in Monday situation.

because of a torn right elbow ten-10n.

to Marc Logan, put him over 35,000 passing yards in the NFL. "It's been a while, so I figured I'd be rusty," Montana said. "I just tried to tell myself not to be overremaining, then cornerback Don Griffin intercepted an Andre Ware pass to give San Francisco posses-sion at the Detroit 26. Montana scrambled 16 yards to the 10, Amp Lee gained a yard on a run and, after a big mistake." Montana last played in a game that counted on Jan. 20, 1991, an incompletion, Montana hit Brent Jones with a 9-yard scoring pass. Montana brought the crowd to York Giants in the National Football Conference Championship. 1:15 to play. That capped a beauti-fully executed 76-yard march in after he played in an Aug. 3, 1991, exhibition against Chicago in Berlin. which Montana completed all five of his passes.

"That was vintage Montana drop back, hoom; drop back, boom," said the 49ers' center, Jesse Sapolu. "Everybody wanted to know the answers to a lot of queshis last in a game for the 49ers unless Young is injured in the playtions. They wanted to know if he could pass, if he could scramhle. Well, Joe answered a lot of those questions.

There was one question Mon-

tana couldn't answer, and the one the league's passing leader for a who could said he wasn't ready. second straight year. San Francisco's coach, George Seifert, said he needed more time be-

> falo Bills' 27-3 loss to the Houston Oilers on Sunday, won't play when the teams meet again next Sunday in the AFC playoffs. Coach Mary Levy said Monday

> that, while test results were encouraging. Kelly would be on the side-lines. The test showed a "relatively Montana, a 10-year starter who

"I hope it's only one" week off. Kelly said, "but it's something we have to take week by week and see

· Quarterback Stan Humphries, who dislocated his left shoulder in Seattle on Sunday, is listed as questionable for the San Diego Char-gers's home playoff game Satur-day's against the Kansas City Chiefs.

motion in Humphries' nonthrowing shoulder, the team's trainer, Keoki Kamau, said. cautious, I just didn't want to make

· Quarterback Bernie Kosar of the Cleveland Browns was to undergo surgery Tuesday on the right ankle that he re-broke Sunday in He had surgery that October to reattach the tendon and two subse-Pittsburgh. quent procedures to remove scar

Montana's appearance could be 10 weeks.

 Management and labor spent He has said repeatedly that he would be unwilling to remain as a backup to Young, who has a solid hold on the job after finishing as NFL's new labor agreement,

Smith, Young and Sharpe Win Individual Titles

The Associated Press

NEW YORK - Emmitt Smith won the 'NFL's rushing title in style. Sterling Sharpe won the receiving title with a record. Steve Young won the quarterback title before even playing.

Most of the NFL's statistical titles were decided Sunday on the final weekend of the season. The sack title was wrapped up Monday night by defensive end Clyde Simmons of the Philadelphia Eagles, with 18.5. The San Fran-cisco 49ers' Tim Harris had trailed Simmons by. 4.5 sacks going into the game against Detroit

and got three of his team's six. Smith won his second straight rushing title

rushing titles. "I wanted to prove that 1991 wasn't a fluke,

no one-year deal," Smith said going into the

Sharpe broke Art Monk's record for most catches in a season. He did it - grabbing his 107th of the year - in the second quarter of Green Bay's 27-7 loss to Minnesota. Sharpe's record-setter, his fifth catch of the day, was 9-yard square-out on the right sideline. Monk, of the Washington Redskins, set of his 10-year career.

the record in 1984. with a 31-yard touchdown run in the third quarter of the Dallas Cowboys' 27-14 victory over the Chicago Bears. Smith gained 131 yards in contrasting and the record in 1954. Young finished as the leading passer — his 107.7 quarterback rating gave him an insor-over the Chicago Bears. Smith gained 131 yards in ountable lead over Troy Aikman of Dallas with 342, has more.

on 20 carries to finish with 1,713, 23 more than Barry Foster had for Pittsburgh. Smith is the ninth player to win consecutive the difference of the second state of t rent ranking system began in 1973.

Pete Stoyanovich of the Miami Dolphins kicked three field goals and an extra point Sunday against New England to give himself

124 points and the scoring title. The Dolphins' Dan Marino extended his NFL record to five seasons with at least 4,000 passing yards as he completed 21 of 39 passes for 217 yards in the 16-13 overtime victory. That gave him 4,116 this season, the fifth most

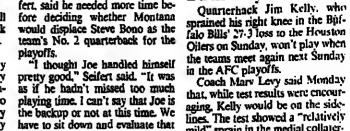
Marino failed to hreak his second-place tie

on the 49ers' roster, was greeted by Mootana said he was surprised he a standing ovation and numerous "welcome back" signs when he opened the second half in relief of "In terms of butterflies, this one's near the top," he said. Mootaoa finished with 126 starter Steve Young. He outscored Young, 17-7, directing three scoring drives in the rainy, windy yards, completing 15 of 21 throws. His first completion, a four-yarder

Mike Cofer's field goal gave San Francisco a 10-6 lead with 13:18 its feet again when he threw an 8-yard touchdown pass to Lee with



The Associated Press SAN FRANCISCO - Joe Montana answered the most important questions. And he can still win. night's final regular season Nation-al Football Lengue game. The 49ers (14-2), who closed with eight straight victories, have a first-round bye in the playoffs and will be bost to a divisional playoff game on Jan. 9. Montana, 36, the oldest player



mild" sprain in the medial collateral ligament of the right knee, Levy led the 49ers to four Super Bowl titles in the 1980s, had been sideined since the start of last season

what happens. It could be two weeks, it could be three weeks." Replacing Kelly will be the vet-eran backup Frank Reich, who took over on Sunday. Known for his cool demeanor.

Bills' Kelly Sidelined

was so oervous when he entered the

Treatment had reduced the swelling and increased the range of

"Less than 24 hours after the injury, we feel pretty darn good." Kamau said Monday afternoon, when the 49ers lost to the New "If we continue with what we're doing and the athlete feels good, then he has a pretty good shot."

His elbow gave out a few days Kosar first broke the ankle in

September, Thinking it was only a sprain, he played the rest of the game but was sidelined for the next

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SIDELINES Laettner's Star Dimming With NBA Timberwolves

The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS - Christian Lactiner, at first embraced by his new teammates on the National Basketball Association's Minnesota Tunberwolves, is now being cold-shouldcred.

Chuck Person, who once promised to take Lactmer under his wing, has become increasingly unhappy with what he perceives as Lactiner's selfishness.

Doug West, who once said that a proven winner like Laettner would make the Timberwolves a better team, is voicing his doubts. Micheal Williams, the point guard who is paid to pass the ball to

the team's top scorers, often ig- make my team better, make my nores the high-scoring rookie. A seventh straight loss, a 114-95

ront by the Utah Jazz on Monday night, dropped Minnesota's record to 5-18 for the season.

In the first quarter of last Saturday's game, Lactiner stole the ball from Atlanta's Stacey Augmon and drove the length of the court for a dunk. It was a great play - except that West was alone out ahead.

30 feet in froot of you and you

dribble and dunk it, is that basing the decision on winning? Or is it personal loyalties?"

After an earlier loss, West said that some of his teammates "think they know too much." He wouldn't name oames, but Laettner clearly was one of the players West meant. Against the Hawks, Williams twice looked right at Laettner, who

was begging for the ball. Instead of passing, Williams took long jumpers. Laettner said he is trying to do what is being asked of him.

team win.

However, the Timberwolves have lost more games in December. 11, than Laettner did in any of his four years at Duke, where he helped win NCAA titles his last two seasons and was national player of the year as a senior.

Lactmer, of course, may be the least of Minnesota's problems. He is averaging about 19 points and 8 rebounds - numbers that compare "I mean, the open guy has to get rebounds — numbers that compare the ball," Person said. "If a guy is to those of any rookie in the league except Orlando's Shaquille O'Neal.



Accola needed surgery on a damaged cartilage in his left knee after fell during a downhill training run Mooday oear the Swiss resort of La Swiss Ski Association spokeswoman Doris Mörcklin said.

"Paul Accola has already left the clinic hut will need four we complete rest before two weeks' light training. This means he will miss world championships in Motioka in early Fehruary," she said.

Endeavour Easily Wins Yacht Race

SYDNEY (AP) — The maxi-ketch New Zealand Endeavour took I honors Tuesday in the annual 630-naotical-mile Sydney-to-Hobart or race, finishing in the third fastest time in the 48 years of the race.

The high-tech ketch, huilt for the 1993-94 Whitbread Round-World race and skippered hy Grant Dalton, had an official time of

days, 19 bours, 19 minutes, 10 seconds. The Sydney pocket-maxi Amazon crossed the finish line on Derwent River more than three hours behind Endeavour, taking secon place. Kodak Express, another New Zealand boat, finished third.

For the Record

Honda, which quit the European-dominated Formula One circuit the season after 10 hugely successful years, said in Tokyo that it is consid-ing competing in Indy car races in the United States. (AF Paris St. Germain has agreed terms with Brazil's soccer captain Rai, the newspaper L'Equipe reported Thesday. But the club's vice-presiden Michel Denisot, said nothing had yet been signed. (AF

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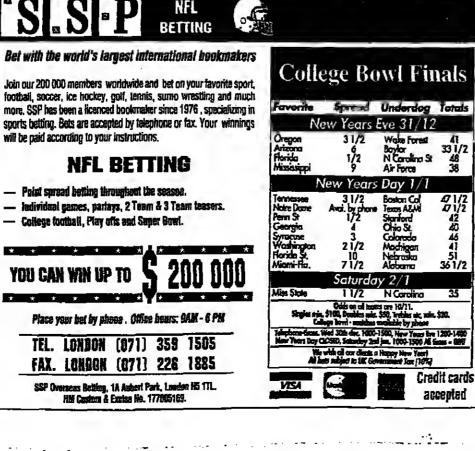
Lucas Loses **First in NBA**

The Associated Press

John Lucas can lose as a coach in the NBA.

Chris Mullin's baseline jumper with 8.2 seconds left Monday night gave the Golden State Warriors a 106-105 victory over the Spurs in San Antonio and Lucas a 3-1 record since replacing the fired Jerry Tarkanian on Dec. 18.

The Warriors had lost six games by four points or less this season, and two games by a single point. Mullin, who finished with 42 points, made a career-high 19 shots of the 31 he took from the field. David Robinson, who finished with 32 points, accounted for 19 during a 32-14 rally that gave the Spurs a 98-95 lead. Date Ellis, who scored 20 poiots with four 3-pointers, scored five points in the run. As the lead continued to change hands. Eilis, who became the NBA's second-leading career 3point scorer behind Michael Adams, hit a 3-pointer with 18 sec-onds left to make it 105-104. But then Mullin shot.



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Art and the EC: New Rules Cause Alarm

POSTCARD

The Strip in East Berlin

By Marc Fisher Washington Past Service

B ERLIN - On Berlin's Oran-ienburger Strasse, where the days are dead and the nights are as decadent as anything in this city's fabled history, you can dance to the latest industrial pop in an underground disco open from midnight to noon, see a play inside the hollow ruins of a pre-World War II department store, join the highfashion folks among the ferns at the kosher Café Oren, shochorn yourself into the crowd of hundreds inside a bar built from a communist-era fruit and vegetable stand, or hire Monique or one of her many partially clothed curbside associates for a few moments of carnal The next time folks say the East

Bloc is slow to change, send them

to this stretch of downtown eastern

Berlin. Within weeks of the fall of

the Berlin Wall, Oranienburger

Strasse --- in a coma throughout the

years of communist control - had

Western women, eastern men ----

once-grand Friedrichstrasse Pas-

sage department store, claiming it

in the names of Dada, Lenin, Len-

non and others. They carved a dis-

co out of the cellar, turned upstairs

rooms into artists' studios, built a

theater, showed strange videos and

staged concerts in rooms that had everything but windows and walls. "Disarm authority, arm your de-sire!" says a graffito on the build-ing's shell.

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prisoner-of-war camp and a com-

munist trade-union headquarters

-was now trying to be bome to the

The squatters called their cre-

prostitution strip.

stared

"We were really loud at first we wanted to confront," said Jochen Sandig, the 25-year-old west-erner who is Tacheles' chairman of the board and one of its original squatters. "We wanted an audience of people who don't want easy appreciation of art. Now the audience is on a consumer trip. They just come over bere to get their fun. They're disrespectful and they steal a lot. Tourists."

kind of avant-garde art that Berlin has missed since the 1920s.

The last word dropped off Sandig's tongue like it was a poison

Like all such phenomena, Oranienburger Strasse has moved with lightning speed through the usual phases of bold exploration, heady success, discovery by the masses, speculation, commercialization and the dreaded realization that what was once cool is now a yesterday kind of thing. That final stage has not quite hit, in good measure because the street is still developing

in contradictory directions. Swedish investors are trying to reverted to its prewar status as a build a shopping complex smack up against Tacheles, the city and it was a busy business and a symbol of the colonial aura that hung over the Jewish community are working to rehuild a synagogue behind the refurbished facade, and prices at the early months of German reunification, when western entrepenthe street's galleries are steadily curs headed east and the former climbing. But no one is bothering East Germans mostly spent and the prostitutes. Tacheles appears safe for at least a few years, and cafs and bars - both fancy and But this street was destined to be different. After the Wall opened. aggressively downscale — are opening all the time. anarchists and artists from the east and west moved inside the crum-bling, cathedral-like hulk of the

Dominik Pradel, 32, is a west Berliner who decided shortly after the two Germanys merged that be wanted to open a bar in the east, where you could start fresh as a person from the west. This was a neutral area, between east and west." Pradel and his partners found an empty fruit store, with its plain old communist sign still above the storefront. "Fruit and Vegetables," it said. Pradel opened the bar and soon

had throngs of people spilling onto the street, Squatters, artists, prostiation Tacheles, from the Yiddish phrase for "talking turkey." The building — which had been a shop-ping center, an office of the Nazi tutes, gawkers, café crawlers, unrepentant socialists, upwardly mobile reborn capitalists -everyone came athletics organization, a French to Oranienburger Strasse,

Russell Baker is on vacation.

By Alan Riding New York Times Service PARIS — For many of the region's guardians of national art treasures, the dream of European unity suddenly looked like an awful nightmare when European Community countries decided to remove all border controls inside a giant single market that goes into effect on Jan. 1. Without customs checks, they saw no way of preventing valuable paintings, sculptures, mosaics and the like from moving through the 12-nation area as easily as, say, cheese or engine parts. In the name of free trade, they said, national heritages would be ransacked by smugglers and dealers. :

As long ago as 1989, then, the battle was joined. France, Italy, Spain and Greece, the community countries with the richest cultural patrimonies, demanded the institution of new controls. Britain, which has the region's most successful auction houses, favored liberalization of the art market. "The debate was immensely complicated because it

confronted two traditions," Jack Lang, the French minister of culture, recalled. "Southern or Latin Europe has always been more protective of national patrimonies. Northern Europe, for reasons of tradition or business, is less protective.

Put differently, the state and the church were historically the main patrons and collectors of art in southern Europe, and to this day they still feel possessive about national cultural heritages. In contrast, in Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium and Britain, governments have tended to encourage the international art market.

Two conflicting principles also had to be conciliated. The 1957 Treaty of Rome creating the European Common Market gave each country the right to protect its national treasures. The treaty creating a single customs-free market from next year on envisioned the unimpeded movement of all goods and made no special provisions for works of art.

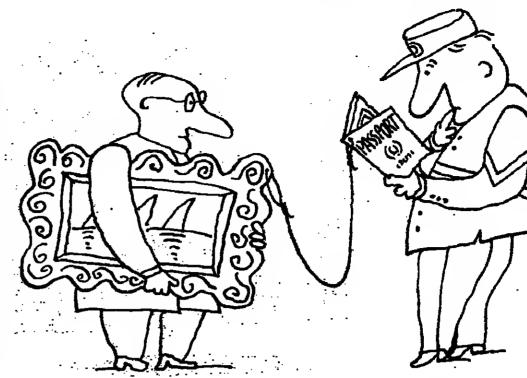
Finally last month, a compromise was worked out. In the future, certain cultural goods, defined mainly by age and value, must be returned if removed illegally from a member country after Jan. 1. Further, these goods will require a special certificate if they are to be exported beyond the community. The list of goods having this protection covers everything that might possibly appeal to a collector or a museum, if old and valuable enough.

"I think it's a good deal for both sides," Lang said. "Too much protection would kill the art market in Europe because collectors wouldn't put up their works for sale. But if things are too liberal, national patrimonies will be dismantled. It will mean a loss of history."

Approved by community ministers on Nov. 10, the agreement did not please everyone. Greece voted against it, while Italy and Britain supported it, albeit with some hesitation. After endorsement by the European Parliament, it should become law throughout the region next spring.

"This has been a tough negotiation on issues of great sensitivity," said Robert Key, the British minister for National Heritage. "We have had to balance the legitimate requirement to protect national treasures with the equally legitimate concern to promote free trade."

The debate nonetheless seems certain to rage on. Italy took credit for the rules requiring the return of stolen or illegally exported cultural goods, but some Italian officials doubt they will work. "We can create a fuss in Italy," said Francesco Sisinni, a senior Culture Ministry official in Rome, "but once that object is abroad, we no longer count for anything."



British auction houses, in contrast, fear that art sales will be paralyzed by restitution claims by foreign govern-The requesting state has no obligation to follow ments. up," said Anthony Brown, a senior director at Christie's in London. "But in the meantime the painting would have to be withdrawn from an auction."

The continuing concern of British dealers is perhaps understandable. Experts estimate that between 50 and 75 percent of the community's art trade and between 85 and 90

percent of its antiquities business now takes place in Lon-don, in a market said to be worth around \$5 billion a year. Yet even in countries jealons of their beritage, many art alers feel that excessive controls are counterproductive. They stimulate the black market," said Joël-Marie Millon, the president of the Drouot group of auctioneers in Paris. "Sales go underground. You need to be flexible if you're not going to encourage fraud." A further complication is that while the community's

new rules cover a so-called hard core of cultural goods subject to restitution, individual countries are still able to define and protect a national treasure in keeping with local tastes and traditions.

Countries like Italy, Spain and Greece, which have already lost many national treasures to museums in northern Europe and the United States, therefore believe strict mestic legislation is necessary to protect what remains, even if these laws are often not property enforced.

"We consider it to be Italy's responsibility to safeguard its own heritage and not to pass the problems onto others," said Sir Nicholas Henderson, a director at Sotheby's, adding that he opposed the new restitution rule. "The Italians are trying to get others to enforce laws they do not." With the community agreement open to future review,

however, many experts say it is too early to know how it will affect protection of and trade in cultural objects, if only because of its complexity and scope and the different ways it may be interpreted across the region. Of the 14 categories of hard-core goods subject to resultu-

tion if removed from a country illegally, the art market is most interested in paintings. And here the rules are relatively liberal. To merit protection, the work's artist must be dead, it must be at least 50 years old, and it must be valued at more than \$187,500. At the other extreme are archaeological items, bits of dismembered monuments, ancient coins and medals, which need prove no commercial value but must be at least 100 years old. In between, most items books, furniture, ceramics, textiles, model ships, theatrical material and more - must be valued at more than \$62.500 and must variously be over either 50 or 100 years old. Under the agreement, the 12 governments will also substitute their current rules for the export of cultural goods outside the community by granting a work a "pass-port" valid throughout the region. But this will apply only to items that originate outside the exporting country.

The amount of new paperwork that will be generated has alarmed many dealers. After learning that it might have to issue as many as 500,000 "passports" a year just for the export of coins, the British government won agreement from its partners that only valuable coins or collections needed this permit. But some auction houses still worry about the new

bureaucracy. "We're going to have to seek many more licenses, and this will mean delays," said Anthony Brown of Christie's, "We need a workable system. If it's too intrusive, it will be bad for everyone who wants a legitimate art market and not one taking place behind closed doors."

PEOPLE

Israel's Philharmonic

Keeps Its Wagner Ban The Israel Philharmonic Orches-The Israel Philinarmical Counts-tra will not play play Richard Wag-per's music, which still haunts ag-vivors of the Nazi Holocaust, period. "The operative decision is that it will not be played." said the orchestra's spokeswoman. Tali Yaron. The decision to continue a ban on Wagner's music was made after a survey of the orchestra's subscribers showed that 30 percent opposed hearing it, she said.

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Prince and Princess Michael of Kent are in Cape Town for a holiday in Cape Province, the first British roval couple to visit South Africa since 1948. The prince is a first cousin of Queen Elizabeth IL In London, Princess Diasa was reunited with her sons Tuesday after a six-day Christmas holiday which they spent with their father. Prince Charles, and the rest of the royal family. Princes William, 10, and Harry, 8, arrived at Kensington Palace from Sandringham, the queen's country estate in Norfolk

The crooner Harry Connick Jr. 19 due back in court on Jan. 12 after being arraigned and spending a night in jail nn charges of illegal weapons possession. Authorities found an unloaded pistol in a bag as be was about to board a plane at Kennedy International Airport in New York.

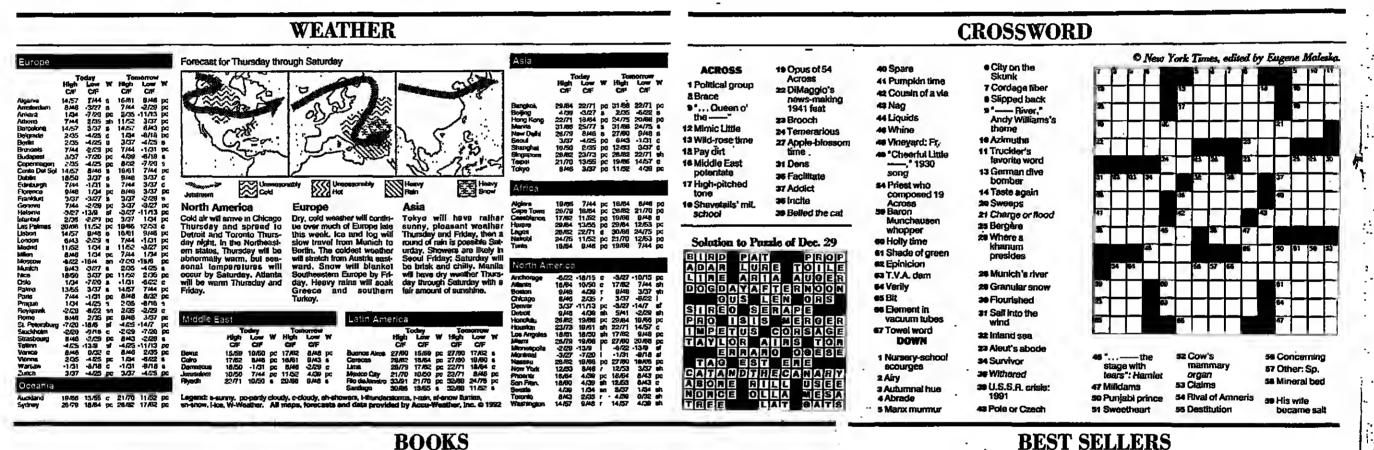
Mother Teresa has been honored by Russia for her efforts to care for stitute children. The 82-year-old Nobel Peace laureate received the 1992 Leo Tolstoy International Award at her mission in Calcutta,

John Denver and the actor Hany Hamlin were among celebrities who appeared in Aspen at a variety show to raise \$50,000 to launch an initiative to repeal Colorado's new anti-gay-rights measure. John Oates was in the audience but didn't perform. Liza Minnelli backed out of the show in observance of a boycott of Colorado, The measure was passed by Colorado voters in November.

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BEST SELLERS

THE CRYSTAL DESERT: **Summers in Antarctica**

By David G. Campbell. 308 pages. \$21.95. Houghton Mifflin.

Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

GGT SPENT three summers in Antarctica, in places beyond the horizon of most of the rest of my species," writes David G. Campbell at the opening of his re-markable book, "The Crystal De-sert: Summers in Antarctica."

The journeys all took place during the single long day that begins in October and ends in March," be continues. "Sometimes, in the sere glaciated interior of the continent. Antarctica seemed to be a prebiotic place, as the world must have

looked before the broth of life bubhled and popped into whales and ropical forests - and bumans. I was as lonely as an astronaut walking on the moon. But at other times, during the short, erotic summer along the ocean margins of the continent, Antarctica seemed to be a celebration of everything living, of unchecked DNA in all its procreative frenzy, transmuting sunlight and minerals into life itself, hatching, squabbling, swimming and soaring on the sea wind." Books of nature writing are sometimes static in their pace, perhaps because their panoramas are often too vast for prose narrative.

Campbell, who teaches at Grinnell College in Iowa, avoids this problem by telling hypnotic stories and ig them within one another. There's the story of his summer in a million years ago, and Antarctica or as small as the diatoms he peered Brazilian research station on King eventually moved from a more tem- at through his microscope, "sexual- on the staff of The New York Times.

George Island in the South Shet-lands, "an ocean-sculpted are of ocation. islands" that lies in the water called Drake Passage just north of the Antarctic Peninsula. One episode in that story entailed a 2.000-foot (610-meter) climb up a mountain to change the light bulbs in a crucifix 20 feet high. Another involved a scuba dive 50 feet deep into nearfreezing water to observe the surprisingly abundant aquatic life. Into his personal narrative, he folds the awesomely larger story of the enormous continent, posthumously named Gondwanaland, of which, fossil records suggest, Ant-arctica was once a part. Gondwanaland included what are now Australia, India, Africa, Madagascar and South America until tectonic forces began tearing it apart 150

ly sophisticated, producing cees perate clime to its present polar and spermatozoa, and therefore en-Then there is the dramatic histodowing their progeny with all the

ry of polar exploration. At its most noble, it involves five men who in 1912 gave up their lives in an at-tempt to sled important but burmits densome fossils out of the interior. But mainly it is a bloody story of commercial greed that has cost the lives of hundreds of thousands of animals and driven several species

to the brink of extinction. But most arrestingly of all, Campbell tells the tales of the flora ont a ghin and fauna that came within his scientific ken, creatures as large as a female blue whale measuring almost 100 feet long, which was killed in 1923, "one of the largest animals ever to have existed in the long history of life on the planet.

splendid array of recombinant genetic permutations that sex per-Campbell makes poetry of science, sometimes brutal, sometimes sublime. Dispassionately, he evokes the lustiness of mating seals, the filth of a penguin rookery and the terrible stench of life aboard a 19th-century whaling vessel. With-

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